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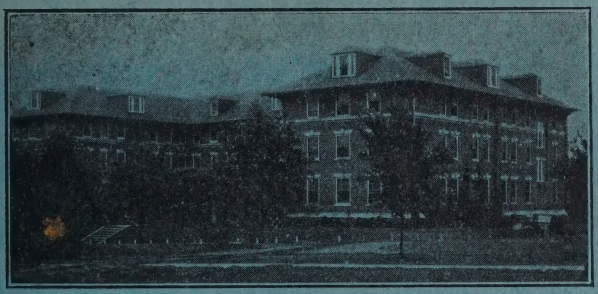

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Chester T. Hutcheson and wife.

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Miss F. Elma French.

Larnaca, Cyprus—

Mr. Robert Z. Willson; Mr. Clyde A. Redpath.

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Rev. Cloyd E. Caskey and wife; Misses Blanche McCrea, Mabel J. Henderson, Elda A. Patton.

Tak Hing, West River, South China—

Rev. E. C. Mitchell and wife; Rev. W. M. Robb and wife; Miss Pearl Weeks.

Lo Ting, via Canton, South China—

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Rev. R. C. Adams and wife; Mrs. J. M. Balph; Misses Jean M. Barr, Lillian L. McCracken, and Alice Robb.

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THE REV. P. J. McDONALD
Pastor Reformed Presbyterian Church
Chicago, Illinois
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ALL SESSIONS OF THE SYNOD WERE HELD IN THE CHAPEL OF THE WESTMINSTER HOTEL, WINONA LAKE, INDIANA.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 6, 1928.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met pursuant to adjournment at Winona Lake, Indiana, on the above date, at 2:00 p. m., and was opened with a sermon by the retiring Moderator, Walter McCarroll, on the words, "Beloved, while I was giving all diligence to write unto you of our common salvation, I was constrained to write unto you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints," Jude 3, R. V. Following the sermon, he constituted the court with prayer.

Memorial Service.

Synod engaged in a memorial service for the late J. W. F. Carlisle, who died April 5, 1928. A memoir was read by F. M. Foster, and the memorial address delivered by E. A. Crooks.

In the absence of the Assistant Clerk, D. B. Martin was chosen Assistant Clerk pro tem. The roll was completed, called, and is as follows:

ROLL.

Ministers Elders	Congregation	Attend. Record T—Tardy X—Excused
Adams, R. C.	Cache Creek	* * * * * * *
Aikin, W. A.	Hemet	* * * * * * *
Allen, F. E.	Hopkinton	* * * * * * *

Allen, Dr. A. M.	Mercer	*	*	*	*	X	X	X	
Anderson, W. J.	Selma					*	*	*	
Blair, R. A.	Parnassus	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Bole, David A.	La Junta	*	*	T	*	*	*	*	
Bole, Robert J.	Second New York	*	*	T	*	*	T		
Boyd, T. H.	Central Pittsburgh	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Calderwood, David	Seattle	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Carrick, S. W.	Rehoboth, Iowa	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Carson, Charles T.	Sterling College		T	*	*	*	*	*	
Carson, J. R.	Eskridge		*	*	*	*	*	*	
Carson, M. K.	Sparta	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Clarke, Robert	Geneva College	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Coleman, J. M.	Quinter	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Coleman, Paul	Kansas City	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Coleman, W. J.	Geneva College	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Conner, S. G.	Without charge	T	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Crooks, E. A.	New Castle	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Davis, S. R.	Beaver Falls			*	*	*	*	*	
Dickson, E. J. M.	Lo Ting, China	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Dill, Robert	Sterling	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Dodds, C. A.	Without charge	*	*	*	X	X	X	X	
Dougherty, M. W.	La Junta	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Edgar, J. D.	Los Angeles	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Edgar, Samuel	Santa Ana	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Elder, J. C.	New Alexandria	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Elliott, D. H.	Central Pittsburgh	*	*	*	X	X	X	X	
Elsey, E. M.	Cincinnati	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Ferguson, W. O.	Denison	*	X	X	X	*	*	*	
Finley, J. T.	Sparta	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Forsythe, J. B.	Bellefontaine	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Foster, F. M.	Third New York	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Foster, H. G.	Bellefontaine	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Foster, J. M.	Second Boston	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Frazer, F. D.	Portland	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Fullerton, Roy C.	New Alexandria	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Fulton, W. S.	Without charge		*	*	*	*	*	*	
Gault, John K.	Bear Run & Mhng.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
George, R. Howard	Allegheny		*	*	*	*	*	*	
George, R. Oscar	United Miami	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Gilmore, J. B.	Without charge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Greer, S. E.	First Philadelphia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Hemphill, J. A.	Olathe	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Hensleigh, J. T.	Morning Sun	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Huston, William	Long Branch	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Hutcheson, M. S.	Sharon	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Jameson, M. R.	Olathe		*	*	*	*	*	*	
Johnston, J. M.	Selma	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Joseph, R. P.	Hopkinton	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Kempf, J. A.	China Mission	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Kilpatrick, A.	Retired	*	*	*	*	X	X	X	
Luney, Robert	Oakdale	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Martin, D. B.	Sharon	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Martin, J. S.	Geneva College		*	*	*	*	*	*	
Martin, R. H.	National Reform		*	*	*	*	*	X	

Mathews, D. C.	Greeley	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mathews, J. C.	Southfield	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mearns, A. H.	Beulah	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mitchell, J. T.	Rehoboth, Pa.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McBurney, J. H.	Millers Run	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McBurney, W. J.	Princeton		*	*	*	T	T	*
McCandless, T. H.	Third Philadelphia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McCarroll, Dr. C.	Nicosia, Cyprus						*	*
McCarroll, Walter	Second New York	*	*	T	*	*	*	*
McConaughy, H. G.	Delburne	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McCracken, Paul D.	Rose Point	*	*	*	T	*	*	*
McDonald, P. J.	Chicago	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McDonald, W. M.	Southfield			*	*	*	*	*
McElhinney, J. G.	Denver	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McElhinney, R. S.	Without charge					*	*	*
McElroy, J. J.	Quinter	*	*	T	*	*	*	*
McElwain, T. A.	Without charge		*	T	*	*	*	*
McFarland, William	Retired	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McFeeters, J. C.	Without charge		*	*	*	*	*	*
McIsaac, R. J.	Knox Academy	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKelvey, R. H.	Lochiel		*	*	*	*	*	*
McKeown, J. K.	First Boston	*	*	*	*	T	*	
McKnight, E. L.	Allegheny	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKnight, T. C.	New Concord		*	*	*	*	*	*
McKnight, W. J.	First Boston	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McMillan, M. S.	Clarinda	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McNeel, W. M.	York	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Orr, Robert L.	Greeley	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Park, Robert	Geneva College	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Patterson, H. G.	Morning Sun	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Patton, E. K.	Winchester				*	*	*	*
Pritchard, J. H.	White Lake		*	*	*	*	*	*
Reade, F. F.	Winnipeg	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Redpath, R. W.	College Hill	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Reed, J. G.	New Galilee	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Reed, T. H.	Topeka		*	*	*	T	*	*
Robb, G. M.	Bloomington				*	*	*	*
Robb, Remo I.	Rehoboth & Wash'gt'n	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Robb, W. G.	Old Bethel	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Russell, D. B.	Without charge	*	*	*	*	X	*	*
Russell, E. G.	Syracuse	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Russell, M. F.	Bovina	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Rutherford, J. M.	Almonte	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sanderson, W. J.	Belle Center & N.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Slater, J. C.	Geneva	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Slater, T. M.	Montclair	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Smiley, J. B.	Stafford	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Smith, A. W.	Barnet	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Smith, Thos. A.	Bloomington		*	*	*	*	*	*
Steele, G. R.	Sterling	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Steele, R. A. M.	East End	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Stevenson, J. R. W.	Hebron	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Stewart, Frank L.	Second Philadelphia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Stewart, W. H.	Winchester	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Taggart, D. R.	Topeka	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Templeton, J. A.	Belle Center						*	*
Terry, B. C.	Orlando	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Thompson, E. F.	Walton	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Thompson, O. F.	Blanchard	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Thompson, W. T. K.	Mercer	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Tweed, J. Boyd	Geneva College	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Ward, W. J.	Wilkinsburg	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Weir, W. W.	Larnaca, Cyprus	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Willson, J. B.	Wilkinsburg	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wilson, F. M.	Third Philadelphia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wilson, W. S.	Old Bethel	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wylie, A. A.	East End	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wylie, J. M.	Oakdale	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wylie, J. R.	Without charge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wylie, J. W.	Hemet	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Ministers present, 85; elders 42; total, 127. Congregations represented by both minister and elder, 32; by minister alone, 35; by elder alone, 7; total, 74.

Ministers absent: W. C. Allen, W. W. Carithers, C. E. Caskey, Geo. S. Coleman, John Coleman, S. J. Crowe, J. F. Crozier, J. W. Dill, W. M. Doig, D. B. Elsey, Isaiah Faris, Geo N. Greer, R. Hargrave, A. A. Johnston, S. F. Kingston, J. R. Latimer, G. R. McBurney, W. C. McClurkin, Thomas McFall, A. J. McFarland, Jas. S. McGaw, R. J. G. McKnight, H. B. McMillan, J. C. Mitchel, E. C. Mitchell, M. M. Pearce, J. L. Pinkerton, R. W. Piper, A. I. Robb, J. K. Robb, W. M. Robb, B. M. Sharp, T. C. Sproull, J. S. Stewart, A. M. Thompson, J. S. Thompson, Boyd A. White, Paul D. White, R. C. Wylie. Total, 39.

Congregations not represented: Beaver Falls, Cambridge, Coldenham, Connellsville, Cornwallis, Fresno, Hetherton, Lake Reno, Lisbon, Newburg, North Union, Ray, Regina, Superior, Union, Vernon, Youngstown. Total, 17.

Election of Officers.

P. J. McDonald was chosen Moderator by a unanimous rising vote. D. C. Mathews was re-elected Clerk, and D. B. Martin Assistant Clerk.

The Clerk submitted his report, which was taken up item by item, adopted, and is as follows:

CLERK'S REPORT.

The Clerk would respectfully report:

One thousand copies of the 1927 Minutes of Synod were published, the printing being done by J. K. Latta, of Morning Sun, Iowa. Mr. Latta has done this work for a number of

years, and the Minutes of last year show the same high quality of workmanship as in former years. He will publish the Minutes again this year, having signed a contract to deliver the books by August 20th.

The following corrections in the 1927 Minutes should be noted: In the list of those chosen as members of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College, page 78, the initials of Dean Smith should be H. L., instead of D. L. The reference to a footnote in the statistics of Wilkinsburg congregation should be stricken out. Through an oversight, the report of the Treasurer of the Women's Synodical was omitted.

Four hundred copies of Synod's Docket, containing the Order of Business, Conference Programs, Reports on Devotional Exercises and Unfinished Business, and other customary features, have been provided, and are for sale at ten cents a copy. The supply last year was exhausted, and a number were disappointed in not being able to secure copies.

The Moderator prepared and the Clerk sent out a letter of greeting as directed by Synod to each of the Young People's Conferences meeting during the summer. A response was received from the Tri-Presbyterial meeting at White Lake, New York.

Copies of the letters prepared by the Committee on Foreign Missions last year were sent to the new Presbytery in China, the Commission in the Levant, and to each of the new congregations in Cyprus. Responses were received from the congregation at Larnaca, the Levant Commission, and the Presbytery in China.

A letter of appreciation for courtesies received was addressed to the officials of the Winona Lake Assembly by the officers of Synod, in accordance with Item 3 of the report of the Committee on Time and Place.

Copies of the resolutions adopted in the report of the Committee on International Relations were forwarded in accordance with Item 11 of the report, to the President of the United States and to a list of high officials furnished by the chairman of the committee. An acknowledgment of receipt was received from an Assistant Secretary of the State Department.

A copy of the letter prepared by a special Committee of Synod urging a stronger enforcement of the prohibition laws was forwarded to President Coolidge as directed by Synod. No response was received by the Clerk.

A copy of the action of Synod on the communication received from the World Conference on Faith and Order was sent to the Secretariat of the movement and a reply received.

In reporting its members whose terms expired last year, the Jewish Mission Board failed to mention two whose terms did expire, and named one who had not been a member of the Board. The Committee on Home Missions followed the report of the Board in making nominations for the ensuing term of three years. This has produced some confusion as to the membership of that Board.

Action on the Overture proposing a revision of certain

sections of Chapters 29 and 30 of the Testimony, submitted to the sessions by the Synod of 1926, was postponed last year to this Synod. A notice to this effect was published in the Christian Nation, and a number of sessions that failed to vote last year sent in their vote this year. The original copies of the reports of all the sessions voting both last year and this are present and ready for action of Synod.

Recommendations:

1. That the hours of meeting be fixed as follows: 9 to 12 a. m.; 2 to 5 p. m.; and the evening sessions and Conferences from 7:30 to 9.

2. That one-half hour following roll call each morning be given to a devotional service in accordance with the program prepared by the Committee on Devotional Exercises, and published in the Docket.

3. That the rule of last year that the roll should be called but once a day after the second day be made permanent.

4. That the sermon of the retiring Moderator be requested for publication.

5. That the Presbyteries be granted the privilege of holding meetings at Winona Lake during the intervals of this Synod.

6. That the Committee on Nominations of this Synod be instructed to prepare a list of those to whom letters of sympathy should be written, and to name those who shall prepare such letters on behalf of Synod.

7. That the Committee on Nominations propose the name of one to be the Moderator's Alternate to preach the sermon at the opening of Synod next year.

8. That the Committee on Home Missions be instructed to straighten out the tangle in the membership of the Jewish Mission Board.

9. That the Committee to which was referred the vote on the Overture last year be revived to consider the vote again this year, and report suitable action by Synod.

10. That the hearing of the representative of the American Bible Society, Near East Relief, and the Lord's Day Alliance, in the order named, and each for ten minutes, be made the order of the day immediately following recess on Monday.

11. That the following replies to communications of Synod be now read:

1. Letter from the Tri-Presbyterial, White Lake, New York.
2. Letter from the Levant Commission.
3. Letter from the Larnaca congregation.
4. Letter from the Presbytery in China.
5. Acknowledgment of resolutions on International Relations.
6. Letter from the World Conference on Faith and Order.

D. C. MATHEWS, Clerk.

A special item from the report of the Commission having oversight of the organization of the Department of Young People's Work and Home Resources was submitted and referred to a special committee, to be named by the Committee on Nominations.

Synod adjourned with prayer by S. G. Conner, to meet tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock.

THURSDAY FORENOON, JUNE 7, 1928.

Synod met according to adjournment at 9:00 a. m., was called to order by the Moderator, who constituted the Court with prayer. The roll was called.

Devotional exercises were led by M. Wylie Dougherty.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

D. H. Elliott was authorized to extend an invitation to J. Campbell White, General Secretary of the Men's Church League, to address the Synod on Saturday evening, or at such time as he may be able to come.

The Moderator announced the following committees of Synod:

COMMITTEES OF SYNOD

Nominations—

E. A. Crooks
D. B. Martin
R. C. Adams
T. H. Boyd
R. L. Orr

Foreign Missions—

M. K. Carson
Remo I. Robb
David Calderwood
J. T. Finley
M. S. Hutcheson

Supplies—

O. F. Thompson
J. K. Gault
F. F. Reade
W. H. Stewart
J. A. Templeton

Home Missions—

F. E. Allen
W. G. Robb
F. D. Frazer
R. P. Joseph
S. R. Davis

National Reform—

M. S. McMillan
M. R. Jameson
J. M. Foster
W. S. Wilson
W. W. Weir

Discipline—

W. J. McKnight
A. W. Smith
J. G. Reed
J. C. Elder
J. W. Wylie

Finance—
H. G. Foster
J. H. Pritchard
R. C. Fullerton
J. B. Smiley
J. T. Hensleigh

Time and Place—
T. C. McKnight
J. B. Willson
M. W. Dougherty
Dr. A. M. Allen
B. C. Terry

Theological Seminary—
J. M. Johnston
J. C. Mathews
Paul Coleman
E. J. M. Dickson
E. F. Thompson

Geneva College
S. E. Greer
D. C. Mathews
S. Edgar
D. B. Russell
David A. Bole

Traveling Fund—
W. J. Ward and the Financial Agents of the Presbyteries.

James S. Tibby read the report of Synod's Board of Trustees, and submitted his report as Treasurer. Both were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Board of Foreign Missions was read by the Corresponding Secretary of the Board, Findley M. Wilson, and together with field reports published in Olive Trees, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions. The report of the Treasurer of the Board, with auditor's certificate was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Home Mission Board was read by its President, E. L. McKnight, and referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

The report of the Board of Jewish Missions was read by the Secretary, F. L. Stewart, and referred to the Committee on Home Missions. The Treasurer's report was referred to the Finance Committee.

S. E. Greer, Secretary, submitted the report of the Board of Church Erection, which, with the Treasurer's report, was referred to the Finance Committee.

The report of the Board of Control was read by the Secretary, H. G. Patterson, and referred to the Finance Committee.

The following papers were submitted:

1. A communication from an elder in Colorado, not having been transferred by Presbytery, was referred to Colorado Presbytery.

2. A paper from the session of Allegheny congregation was referred to a special committee to be named by the Committee on Nominations.

3. A letter from the Presbyterian Church in Canada and a reply prepared by J. S. Stewart were read, and the reply approved.

4. A letter from the Synod of Ireland was referred to the Moderator for reply.

The report on unfinished business was taken up.

1. Preparing Children's Handbook.

W. J. McKnight reported the matter in the hands of the Committee on Review. The committee was continued.

2. Representative on the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society.

Walter McCarroll made a verbal report of his attendance, which was approved.

3. Sending deputation to the Levant. The Foreign Board reported nothing done as yet.

4. Transfer of title of college property. The Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the College reported nothing done, and Synod ordered the matter dropped.

5. Bringing the history of the ministry to date. O. F. Thompson reported good progress during the year, and asked as to the form in which the data should be presented, and whether the work of the committee included the lives of missionaries. He was directed to prepare the matter in the form of brief biographies as in Glasgow's History, and the Committee on Nominations was directed to name a committee to consult with Mr. Thompson with reference to including the lives of missionaries.

6. Gathering Historical materials. J. B. Willson reported that nothing had been done because no place had been provided for storing such materials. The report was accepted and the committee continued. Synod's Board of Trustees was directed to provide a room in the Seminary building for such materials.

Synod took recess until 2:00 p. m., elder Robert Luney leading in prayer.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 7, 1928.

Synod reconvened at 2:00 p. m., was called to order by the Moderator, and opened with prayer by J. A. Kempf. The roll was called.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Clerk of Pittsburgh Presbytery announced the death of Dr. R. C. Reed this morning at his home in Pittsburgh. Synod was led in prayer by F. M. Foster. The arrangement for a memorial service was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The following ministers and elders were added to Central Canada Presbytery, to form a provisional court for the transaction of the business of the Presbytery at this meeting of Synod: F. E. Allen, W. J. Coleman, E. J. M. Dickson, R. A. M. Steele.

The report of the Witness Committee was submitted by the Chairman, W. J. Coleman, and considered item by item. The report was amended, adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE WITNESS COMMITTEE

During the past year the Witness Committee has devoted all the means in hand to the sending out of literature on our distinctive principles. Each congregation in our Church has been supplied four times with tracts on the four chief principles of our testimony. Each quarter we send them something new. The tract last quarter was on "The Excellence of the Psalms as a Book of Praise," by the Rev. J. G. Reed. The next one will be a discussion of the use of instruments in Old Testament worship by the Rev. W. J. McKnight. If the Synod authorizes the revision of the 29th and 30th chapters of the Testimony, it will be published in tract form and sent out early this fall.

In the pending presidential election, with the probable nomination of the candidates now in sight, the pressure on our people to cast the ballot, will likely be more persistent than ever and will need to be met with clear and cogent argument.

It is noteworthy that the pressure on the millions, comprising quite a number in nearly every community, who stay away from the polls for other than conscientious reasons is not so persistent and determined as on those who refrain from voting because of loyalty to Jesus Christ. The effort to break down dissent and bring the dissenter into line is tireless, especially if he be not able to defend his position.

The Committee expects to send to all our congregations petitions prepared for those who cannot accept our present Constitution, and to have their votes for Jesus Christ counted by the President and by both Houses of Congress. If any one desires to carry a petition for general signature, which does not raise the voting question, these also will be readily supplied.

We suggest that the ministers of our Church begin early and use the season to explain and defend our position, not only as a measure of needed defense, but as an opportunity to bring the need of political loyalty to the attention of our devout Christian neighbors. The Committee will be glad to furnish tracts on this subject without cost and without delay to all who apply for them.

James M. Coleman who lectured on our principles for two months last year has accepted a call and is no longer in the field. The chairman of this Committee lectured and preached in our church for more than two years and this last year has been employed in Geneva College. The opportunity for field work outside our church seems to have been gradually closing, even though we ask no money from those to whom we speak. The proposal to argue soberly and logically for principles and practices requiring intelligence, conscience and faith and to do this for an unpopular cause and in their own house meets with little or no response. Therefore we turn to the mail service and to the printed page.

The Committee advertised more than usual this past winter, spending five hundred dollars, calling the attention of the public to the excellence of the Psalms. This advertising appeared in twenty-eight papers and periodicals and a great many inquiries came in for the literature. People are not entirely without interest, or at least curiosity, with regard to the matter of praise. But this advertising could not be continued long enough to make much impression.

The correspondence, ordering supplies, securing names and addresses, deciding concerning tracts to be used—the office work generally—has been done at bare cost and most of it contributed to the cause, that all the means provided might go into the work. The balance on hand April 1, 1928, was $1188.57. The receipts for the year were $4835.23. Total $6023.80. The expenditures were $5863.86. Balance on hand April 1, 1928, $159.94.

The term for which R. J. G. McKnight, J. C. Slater, D. C. Mathews, J. B. Willson and T. H. Martin were elected has expired and their successors are to be chosen by this Synod.

We offer the following recommendations:

1. That, as in past years, literature on our distinctive principles be sent out to the people of our own church and to the ministers and members of other churches, as far and as widely as the means provided will permit.

2. That the committee be authorized to select and print new tracts, setting forth our testimony in a persuasive spirit and with a constructive aim.

3. That this year of unusual political interest, when feeling is likely to run high, be the occasion of an unusual effort to build up a constituency of loyal people.

4. That pastors be encouraged to preach on our political position, that our people request such sermons, and that our elders give a whole hearted support to the pastor in being a faithful witness.

5. That we encourage our members to look on our principles as a life giving message, which it is a privilege to know and a blessing to hold and tell to others.

6. That our people be urged to circulate petitions seeking from this government a national recognition of our Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and King of nations.

7. That the cause represented by this committee, which

is the cause of our church, of our Divine King and of this nation which we love be made the subject of constant prayer, seeking God's bessing on all means used for its advancement.

W. J. COLEMAN
J. BOYD TWEED
ROBERT PARK
JOHN C. SLATER
E. L. McKNIGHT
J. B. WILLSON
D. C. MATHEWS
J. S. TIBBY
J. H. McBURNEY

The report of the Temperance Committee was read by the Chairman, Paul Coleman, taken up item by item, adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

America, the last of the great nations to enter the World War against Germany, was the first to make national declaration of war against the liquor traffic, that brutal destroyer of our race. We thank God for gains secured in this war this year and for the advances made in the resoluteness and skill of prohibition enforcement. The improvement registered in the first six months under the Reorganization Bill is from 10 to 80 per cent in the various departments. Assistant Secretary Lowman and Dr. Doran in charge of the prohibition bureau have proved themselves sincere and efficient. We need a stronger enforcement measure than the Volstead Act and hope to have it soon. The nation-wide demand that the political conventions this year be loyal to the Eighteenth Amendment is also a cause for thanksgiving.

But though America leads the world in the fight against alcohol, she is, more than any other great nation, responsible for the rapidly increasing world slavery to tobacco. The enormous waste of soil fertility in our production of tobacco, and the awful squandering of income in the three billion dollars of our annual tobacco bill, are not so serious nor so sinful as the daily lowering of vitality in the bodies, and the drugging of the brain, character and spiritual life, of the victims of this habit. The committee asks the Covenanter Church to declare war on this curse. As she was among the pioneers in outlawing the liquor business, we ask her to help form the line of those followers of Christ who must in some way protect the coming generations from the ravages of tobacco. For over 60 years we have been condemning tobacco and urging our members to abstain from it. In almost every congregation there are still some who use it, and young men and boys still have the example of older Covenanters in taking up the habit. The signs indicate that the Tobacco Merchants Association intends to enslave the women of the world as well as the men and that it will follow the heartless methods of the saloon to enlarge its profits. We must suffer as victims, or suffer as antagonists, of tobacco. We choose to fight. It is the present intention of this Committee to submit to next Synod an addition to our tes-

timony which will make abstinence from tobacco the law of our church. If we had taken this step before the war, we probably would not have had so many users now to meet the question of giving up the habit.

Our committee has endeavored (1) to help to maintain all the past achievements of our members toward mastery of the body for Christ, and to educate our children on temperance; (2) to lead the way toward higher attainments in the temperance habits of our people; (3) to make every member a temperance worker.

This year we have sent special material to our pastors for the temperance lessons of the Sabbath School; we have sent letters to almost all whose temperance pledges have come to us; and have furnished matter for the Christian Nation and conducted considerable correspondence.

We recommend:

1. That our people use all Christian means,—prayer, education, literature, posters, letters to officials, personal influence and example,—to aid and extend prohibition.

2. That the officers in each congregation be earnestly urged to endeavor to free their people from the tobacco habit this year, and to persuade members who are store owners not to sell tobacco.

3. That the C. Y. P. U. conferences this summer be asked to aid in the campaign against tobacco.

The term for which F. F. Reade and Paul Coleman, chairman, were chosen has expired and their successors should be chosen.

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL COLEMAN,
F. F. READE,
J. R. W. STEVENSON.

The report of the Covenanter members of the Board of Directors of the National Reform Association was submitted by J. S. Martin and referred to the Committee on National Reform.

D. H. Elliott and C. A. Dodds were directed to convey to the family and congregation of R. C. Reed the deep sympathy of Synod in their time of sorrow.

The appeal of J. F. Steele and others against the action of Pittsburgh Presbytery authorizing the sale of the Eighth Street church was referred to the Committee on Discipline.

The expense of sending telegram to J. Campbell White was referred to the Committee on Finance.

D. H. Elliott and C. A. Dodds were excused from further attendance to attend the funeral of R. C. Reed.

Synod adjourned with prayer by W. G. Robb.

FRIDAY FORENOON, JUNE 8, 1928.

Synod met at 9:00 a. m. according to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer by J. R. W. Stevenson. The roll was called.

Devotional exercises were conducted by elder R. O. George.

The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

A paper from Ohio Presbytery was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Nominations was directed to name a special committee to arrange for a celebration of the one hundredth meeting of Synod next year, a special invitation to be sent the Synods in Ireland and Scotland to send representatives.

Because of peculiar circumstances which prevented him from reaching Synod, D. B. Elsey was authorized to participate in the traveling fund.

The report on Unfinished Business was taken from the table to consider Items 18 and 22.

Item 22. Merging of Christian Nation and Olive Trees. The report was read by T. M. Slater, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MERGING "THE CHRISTIAN NATION" AND "OLIVE TREES"

To the Moderator and Members of Synod:—

Your committee appointed to investigate the possibility of merging the "Christian Nation" and "Olive Trees," would report that we have ascertained the following:

1. The "Christian Nation," being a private enterprise, the present owner and editor would consider this plan favorably, only on condition that the editorial policy and control should continue as in the cases of the merging with this paper of the "Reformed Presbyterian Standard," and "Our Banner."

2. "Olive Trees," being the property of the Board of Foreign Missions, was received from its former owner and editor with the explicit agreement that it should be published exclusively throughout its whole life in the interests of missions, and should not at any time be merged with any other publication.

For these reasons we find it impossible to recommend any further action. Respectfully submitted,

J. H. PRITCHARD, S. R. BOGGS,
F. M. WILSON, E. W. JONES.
T. M. SLATER,

Item 18. Commission on Department of Young People's Work and Home Resources. The report was read by J. C. Slater, submitting the Minutes of the Commission. The report was approved, and the Minutes ordered spread on the Minutes of Synod. The appointment of the committee recommended was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

REPORT OF COMMISSION.

The Board of Home Missions submits the following report as a Commission appointed by Synod to have the oversight of the work of the Secretary of Young People and Home Resources.

The Commission has held four meetings in which careful attention has been given to the work committed to us.

The minutes of these meetings are herewith submitted.

The resignation of Mr. Edgar who was chosen by the Synod as Secretary was received by the Commission in August, but by unanimous action of the Commission, he was asked to reconsider his action, and to undertake the work, but this he found it impossible to do.

After careful consideration it was decided that inasmuch as the synodical year was already far spent, and the financial situation was very uncertain; and feeling that the secretary should be the choice of the whole church, it would be best for this year to divide the work among a number of those whom we believe to be interested in the different phases of the work.

We present a short summary of the work done by those who have undertaken the work assigned to them in addition to their labors in their respective fields.

Evangelism.

This is one of the very important phases of our work as a church. We had great hopes of a carefully planned program under the leadership of the secretary elect. It is our conviction that the life of the church is measured by our efforts along this line. Where there is little interest in reaching out for the unsaved, there can be no high tide of spiritual life. The reports indicate that the Covenanter Church is awake to the urgency of the situation.

Your Commission felt that E. K. Patton who had the benefit of his years of experience as chairman of the committee on Evangelism was the one who would do the work efficiently, and his report shows that we were not mistaken. In co-operation with Mr. R. A. M. Steele he has striven to carry on the work in an energetic and efficient manner. Because of conditions that were beyond our control, there were some difficulties to be overcome. Mr. Patton's report states: "The work came into our hands very late as you know. By the time we could get letters to the congregations, and receive replies, and try to arrange a schedule, it was very late in the synodical year. Again, finances were scarce this year and many congregations

replied saying they intended holding meetings at a future time, but could not afford any extra expense this year. Those who desired Mr. Steele's services felt they should pay his expenses as no provision was made for that by Synod, and sometimes frankly said they could not afford it. It has been very largely a year of playing safe financially." Three plans of evangelistic effort were placed before the church by those in charge of the work.

I.—A series of meetings to win the unsaved and seek the reviving of those already members.

II.—A plan of visitation evangelism centering around the prayer group.

III.—A week of Psalm singing. A number of congregations used one of these plans with fine success reported. Mr. R. A. M. Steele's time was largely taken in meetings and addresses in different congregations. He shared the work in Selma, Chicago, Morning Sun, Beulah, Eskridge, Topeka, Winchester, Barnet, Rose Point, Bear Run and Mahoning, New Castle, Union, Miller's Run, Wilkinsburgh, New Galilee and East End.

Mr. Steele's report closes as follows: "It was not until October that I learned the fact that Rev. J. D. Edgar had decided not to take up the work. On account of his appointment I was waiting for him to direct me and make my appointments. In this I was handicapped, for had I not been expecting him to take charge at any moment, I could have gone ahead and arranged to be busy all of my time. In all of my talks I have tried my utmost to instill into the minds of the people the importance of being loyal to the Covenanter cause, and also have tried to the best of my ability to elevate the Psalms with the music to the place where they properly belong." If we had the means to finance a program of evangelism for the coming year, there is a large field to be cultivated. Careful consideration should be given to the needs of this work in framing our Budget.

Prayer Meeting Topics.

W. C. McClurkin reports that he filled his appointment to prepare the topics, and print and distribute the folders. Three thousand folders were printed at a cost of thirty-five dollars. The expense of advertising and mailing was $6.82, making a total cost of $41.82. 2630 folders were ordered by 61 congregations, and 58 of these paid $47.36 for them, with $1.40 yet to be collected. The balance on hand is $6.96.

Young People's Work.

The work of the Secretary of Young People has been very limited this year. The different Presbyteries have their Young People's Work so well organized, and so efficiently carried on, that the need for a Synodical secretary has not been so keenly felt as in some other years. The work of preparing and issuing topic cards was placed in the hands of M. R. Jameson. Unfortunately, through misunderstandings and delays,

the income from the cards this year did not meet the expenses. The cost was $111.56. The receipts were $77.32, leaving a deficit of $34.24, which we hope will yet be collected.

The Budget.

The response of the church to the appeal for the Budget this year is disappointing. The contributions were $83,622.55. Had it not been for the sum of $7,042.00 from the sale of the Brooklyn church property which was appropriated to the budget by the members of the congregation, the amount raised was the smallest since this plan was adopted. This was not because of a lack of publicity, although the delay in getting the information to the church may have been a contributing factor. Owen F. Thompson did splendid work in seeking to enlist the entire church in prayer that the sense of responsibility, and the duty of stewardship might lead to a full payment this year. A letter was sent to each congregation, and many favorable replies were received. Unfortunately it was not possible to enlist every member in the program of prayer, and the result was not all that was hoped for. There were four full page appeals in the Christian Nation. Also a number of short articles and statements aiming to make an appeal, or to set people thinking. It is quite evident that we are facing no small problem in trying to finance the work of the church.

The following recommendations are offered.

I.—That a special committee be appointed to consider these resolutions.

II.—We recommend the reaffirming of the resolutions adopted by last Synod for the carrying on of the work of Young People and Home Resources.

III.—That Synod establish a Church paper.

IV.—That Synod consider the advisability of linking the publication of the church paper with the department of Young People's Work and Home Resources.

V.—That the question of the re-election of Mr. R. A. M. Steele be considered by this committee.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. SLATER, Clerk.

MINUTES OF COMMISSION ON DEPARTMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK AND HOME RESOURCES.

Treasurer's Office, August 29, 1927.

The Board of Home Missions met as a Commission of Synod having the oversight of the department of Young People's Work and Home Resources.

The Commission was called to order and constituted in prayer by the Moderator, E. L. McKnight.

The members present were, E. L. McKnight, W. J. Coleman, R. C. Reed, S. G. Conner, D. H. Elliott, J. C. Slater, J. S. Tibby and Wm. Blair. J. C. Slater was chosen clerk.

The Moderator stated the purpose of the meeting according to the appointment of the Synod.

The Moderator read letters received from J. D. Edgar in regard to his appointment to the secretaryship, and asking for information. The information had been furnished.

A second letter from Mr. Edgar dated Aug. 13 stated that he had not been released from the pastorate of the Los Angeles congregation by the Interim Commission of Pacific Coast Presbytery, as he had requested, and so he feels that the way is closed that he cannot accept the appointment of Synod, although his acceptance has been announced. Letter of August 16 stating that since he has not been released by Presbytery's Commission, he presents his resignation as Secretary of Young People's Work and Home Resources.

A letter from F. D. Frazer stating that the Commission of Presbytery had not taken action to release Mr. Edgar from the pastorate of Los Angeles congregation because they were not clear as to what his decision was in the matter, as his letter to the Commission was indefinite.

A letter from David Calderwood was to the same effect, and stating that there was no disposition on the part of the Commission to hinder Mr. Edgar from taking up the work.

A letter from Samuel Edgar and a telegram from W. A. Aikin gave assurance that there was no opposition on the part of Presbytery.

Another letter from Mr. Edgar was read.

The following telegram was ordered sent to Mr. Edgar:—

"Synod's Commission has assurance from all pastors of Pacific Coast Presbytery that they will accede to your wishes in Synod's call. We therefore request a reconsideration of your decision."

Treasurer Tibby was authorized to pay E. L. McKnight one dollar and fifty cents for telegram sent to Mr. Edgar.

The minutes were read and adopted.

The Commission adjourned with prayer by W. J. Coleman.

E. L. McKNIGHT, Moderator,
JOHN C. SLATER, Clerk.

Treasurer's Office, Sept. 26, 1927.

The Board of Home Missions met as a Commission of Synod to act on matters concerning the Department of Young People's Work and Home Resources. The Commission was constituted with prayer at 3:10 p. m., by the Moderator, E. L. McKnight.

J. B. Willson was chosen clerk pro tem.

Members present: E. L. McKnight, R. C. Wylie, W. J. Coleman, D. H. Elliott, A. A. Wylie, J. B. Willson and elders, Wm. Blair, D. C. Ward and J. S. Tibby.

Absent: R. A. Blair, W. M. Doig, S. G. Conner, R. C. Reed, J. C. Slater, and elder T. H. Martin.

A letter from J. D. Edgar, dated Sept. 13, 1927, was read, in which he stated that new difficulties have arisen, and he now declines to undertake the work as secretary, "as I cannot now move my family, nor be much from home at the present time."

The corresponding secretary of the Board of Home Mis-

sions was instructed to write Mr. Edgar, regretting the necessity of his declining, and assuring him of our best wishes and prayers for him and his family.

Letters were read from F. M. Foster and J. M. Foster, suggesting that the office of secretary be left unfilled.

The Commission voted that until the next meeting of Synod, the work be divided among persons whom the Commission may believe to be interested and qualified to carry on the work. There were two dissenting votes, those of J. S. Tibby and Wm. Blair.

W. C. McClurkin was appointed to prepare and to send out the prayer-meeting topic folders, and Mr. Tibby was authorized to advance him money, if necessary, for the printing. Fifty dollars was appropriated for him in recognition of his services.

E. K. Patton and R. A. M. Steele were appointed to manage the evangelistic work until next Synod. One hundred dollars was appropriated as a recognition of Mr. Patton's services. The Commission suggests that pastors be urged to be their own evangelists, so far as possible, with the aid of Mr. Steele, if desired.

Owen F. Thompson was appointed to take charge of publicity in connection with the budget. M. R. Jameson was appointed to take charge of the preparation and distribution of young people's topic cards.

The clerk was appointed to notify the church of the actions taken today.

The officers were authorized to fill any vacancies. The minutes were read, corrected, and approved. The Commission adjourned with prayer by A. A. Wylie.

E. L. McKNIGHT, Moderator.
J. B. WILLSON, Clerk Pro Tem.

Treasurer's Office, May 21, 1928.

The Board of Home Missions met as a Commission of Synod to act on matters concerning the Department of Young People's Work and Home Resources, at the call of the chairman and was by him constituted with prayer.

Members present were, E. L. McKnight, J. B. Willson, W. J. Coleman, R. A. Blair, D. H. Elliott, A. A. Wylie, S. G. Conner, J. C. Slater, Wm. Blair, D. C. Ward and J. S. Tibby.

Reports were received from E. K. Patton and R. A. M. Steele, who have had the Evangelistic work under their charge; Owen F. Thompson who promoted the publicity for the Budget; W. C. McClurkin who prepared and published the prayer meeting folders; and M. R. Jameson who had the publishing and distribution of the topic cards for the Young People's Societies under his charge.

The clerk read a draft of the report which he had prepared for Synod. Pending discussion of the report, the Commission adjourned to meet in this place Monday afternoon, May 28, 1928 at two o'clock. Prayer by W. J. Coleman.

E. L. McKNIGHT, Moderator.
JOHN C. SLATER, Clerk.

Treasurer's Office, May 28, 1928.

The Commission met according to adjournment and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

Members present were E. L. McKnight, R. A. Blair, D. H. Elliott, S. G. Conner, A. A. Wylie, J. C. Slater, Wm. Blair, D. C. Ward and J. S. Tibby.

Rev. S. E. Greer, a member of Philadelphia Presbytery was made a consultative member of the court.

The report prepared by the clerk was taken up for consideration. The report was amended and adopted as the report of the Commission to Synod.

It was resolved to ask the Co-ordinating Committee for $3000, for Evangelistic work for the coming year. J. B. Willson was appointed to present the request before the Committee.

Minutes of the meeting held May 21, 1928, and the minutes of this meeting were read and adopted.

The Commission was adjourned with prayer by J. B. Willson.

E. L. McKNIGHT, Moderator.
JOHN C. SLATER, Clerk.

The report on Unfinished Business was laid on the table.

The report of the Treasurer of the Women's Association was presented by Mrs. Agnes E. Steele and referred to the Committee on Finance.

J. S. Tibby reported on the printing and sale of 1927 Minutes. The report was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report on the Literary Fund was submitted by J. S. Tibby and referred to the Committee on Finance. The item with reference to a new edition of the Psalter was referred to the Committee on Nominations, to name a committee of seven to consider changes in tunes, index, etc.

The report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary was read by Robert Park and referred to the Committee on Theological Seminary.

The report of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College was read by the Secretary, G. M. Robb, and referred to the Committee on Geneva College.

The report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College was read by its Secretary, J. G. Reed, and referred to the Committee on Geneva College.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES

Devotional Exercises—
H. G. Patterson
W. O. Ferguson
Paul D. White
J. T. Hensleigh
J. R. Carson

Psalmody—
R. W. Redpath
Paul D. McCracken
R. A. Blair
R. A. M. Steele
J. B. Forsythe

Signs of the Times—
J. S. Martin
W. T. K. Thompson
E. M. Elsey
R. J. Bole
B. C. Terry

Unfinished Business—
The Clerks

The report of the Permanent Committee on International Relations was read by the Chairman, R. H. Martin, considered item by item, adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church:

In view of the extended report by this Committee last year, covering both the basic Christian principles which should determine all international relationships and the application of these principles to many concrete international problems at that time before our nation, this report will deal only with a few of the more outstanding and pressing international problems now before our Government and people.

During the past year, acting as an Ad-interim Committee of the Synod, members of your Committee attended important meetings in the interest of peace. In November, the chairman of the Committee, with representatives of other churches, on invitation of the Commission on International Justice and Goodwill of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, waited upon the President of the United States and the Secretary of State in the interest of the movement to outlaw war. In December, Dr. McCarroll and your Chairman attended a Conference in New York City in the interest of the same movement called by the above named Commission of the Federal Council of Churches. In January Dr. McCarroll attended the annual meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Council of Churches in Cleveland at which the question of International relationships received marked attention.

We are glad to note a marked improvement in the international situation over that which obtained one year ago. The general situation has improved decidedly and in particular situations, such as that of our relationships with Mexico where war seemed imminent, the threatening dangers have been averted. There is marked evidence that the many forces and

organizations that stand for international peace and goodwill, are more active and determined than ever before in efforts to mould and express public sentiment on behalf of peace.

The most outstanding event of the year in the movement for International peace has to do with the outlawry of war. Our Government has embarked upon its greatest of all efforts to abolish war; upon what has been spoken of in England as "Politically the biggest event in modern diplomatic history." On April 13th, Secretary of State Kellogg invited the British, German, Italian and Japanese Governments to join France and the United States in a solemn Treaty agreement renouncing war as a means of settling international disputes and pledging themselves to settle all disputes or conflicts that may arise between them, only by pacific means.

The two main articles of this multi-lateral treaty proposed by Mr. Kellogg, with the gist of Article III are as follows:

Article I. The High Contracting Parties solemnly declare in the name of their respective peoples that they condemn recourse to war for the solution of international controversies, and renounce it as an instrument of national policy in their relations with one another.

Article II. The High Contracting Parties agree that the settlement or solution of all disputes or conflicts of whatever nature, or whatever origin they may be, which may arise among them, shall never be sought except by pacific means.

Article III. This treaty shall, when it has come into effect as presented in the preceding paragraph, remain open as long as may be necessary for adherence by all the other powers of the world.

We rejoice in the advanced step taken by our Government and also in the favorable reception accorded it by other nations. Already Great Britain and Germany have accepted the treaty and other leading nations are giving it favorable consideration.

The outlawry of war is an essential step in arriving at world peace. So long as war is recognized by the nations as a lawful means of settling international controversies, there is little hope of attaining world peace. It must be regarded as an international crime; it must be solemnly and officially declared to be such, and as such renounced, before the way is open for world peace. Within the year notable progress has been made toward this end. But many difficulties are yet to be overcome before this end is achieved. A strong public sentiment on behalf of the outlawry of war must be created among the peoples of the nations to sustain and encourage our governments in their laudable efforts to this end. This places upon the Christian citizenship of the nations a great responsibility in educating the people in behalf of this and other means of achieving world peace.

We also call attention to the fact that the outlawry of war is but one step, and that a negative one, in the direction of world peace. It is not enough to drive the devil out of a house and leave it "swept and garnished." Seven devils may move in. It is not enough to renounce war. There must be provided **adequate instruments of peace,** and while treaties

providing for conciliation in its place, and for arbitration or judicial settlement when conciliation has failed, are very important peace machinery, and should not be minimized, nevertheless they will not suffice to prevent war. We do not depend on that kind of machinery to prevent war between our forty-eight states. We have living and permanent organisms in Congress and the Supreme Court. It is inconceivable that the world would require less machinery for the prevention of war than our states or our smaller political units require. We need and must have a permanent World International Court, such as the International Court of Justice, and a World organization such as the League of Nations, through which there will be built up a body of law, to govern the nations in their dealings with each other, before we can hope to realize the vision of the poet:

"When the war drum beats no longer, and the battle flag is furled,
In the Parliament of man and the federation of the world."

These great facts must be kept before our governments and people and public opinion educated toward the setting up of these essential instruments of world peace.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

I. We rejoice, and are grateful to God, for the efforts now being made by the United States and other Governments, to enter into compacts with other nations for the outlawry of war; we commend our President and Secretary of State for their advanced position in this matter as represented by the proposed treaty and correspondence of Secretary Kellogg, and pledge to them our fullest support in the development of a strong public sentiment on behalf of this movement which is necessary to its final success.

II. We commend our government for its policy of non-intervention in the internal affairs of China.

III. We rejoice in the settlement of the serious and threatening difficulties between our government and that of Mexico and commend our Department of State and our Ambassador to Mexico for the wisdom with which they dealt with the situation.

IV. We urge upon Congress the necessity of revising the Asiatic exclusion clause of the Immigration Law so as to put the Asiatics upon the quota basis that we may cease to offend, unnecessarily, the sensibilities of nations and peoples who are friendly to America.

V. Believing that preparation for war leads to war, and that the movement for the reduction of armaments must keep pace with the movement for the outlawry of war if the latter is to succeed, we call upon the President of the United States to prepare for another conference of Nations to secure a more drastic reduction of armaments of every kind.

VI. In view of the fact that the outlawry of war must be accompanied by the setting up of suitable and adequate in-

ternational instruments for settling international controversies by peaceable means before world peace can be attained, we urge our government to seek the removal of those difficulties that stand in the way of our full participation in the World Court of International Justice, and also to look forward to the entrance of our nation into the League of Nations.

VII. Recognizing the obligation resting on us as a Church and as Christian citizens to strengthen public sentiment on behalf of all right endeavors toward the abolition of war and the establishing of just and helpful relations between nations, we call the attention of our people, especially of our pastors and teachers, to the duty of promoting continuous education on international relationships from the Christian viewpoint. We recommend the adoption of the five point program for the local church suggested by the Federal Council of Churches, which follows:

THE FIVE POINT PROGRAM

Every Church and congregation in America should have a real part in this twentieth century crusade if it seriously desires to do its duty in establishing the Kingdom of God in the relations of nations. The following five activities are suggested, which every Church may well undertake in order to share in this great crusade.

I

Adopt some declaration of faith in and purpose to work for a warless world.

II

Establish a Peace Worker's Library for the use of Church members and definitely encourage its use.

III

Observe Armistice Sunday in the Church. Provide in the Sunday School, once or twice a year, on the Sundays nearest "World Goodwill Day" (May 18) and "Armistice Day" (November 11), an exercise or lesson on the abolition of war and the way to achieve and maintain permanent world peace.

IV

Promote the use of study courses on World Justice and Peace by each of the groups and classes of young people and adults as a part of their regular program during the year's activities.

V

Establish a Church Committee or Council on International Goodwill to serve as a visible expression of the interest of the Church in world peace, to carry forward the various peace activities of the Church, and to cooperate with other Churches in community and national enterprises and programs in the establishment of a Christian world order.

Also we commend to our Churches the International Good-

will projects of the Commission on International Justice and Goodwill for world friendship among children..

Respectfully submitted,
R. H. MARTIN,
WALTER McCARROLL,
E. J. M. DICKSON,
SAMUEL R. BOGGS

Synod took recess until 2:00 p. m. Prayer by Remo I. Robb.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 8, 1928

Synod reconvened at 2:00 p. m., was called to order by the Moderator, opened with a verse of Psalm, and led in prayer by J. C. McFeeters.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Dr. H. H. Bell, General Secretary of the Winona Lake Association, brought the greetings of the Association and extended a hearty welcome to the Synod, to which the Moderator suitably responded.

The report of the Mission Conference was submitted by the Secretary, M. K. Carson, adopted item by item and as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE MISSION CONFERENCE.

The Mission Conference of the Reformed Presbyterian Church met in the Westminster Hotel, Winona Lake, Ind., June 5th, 1928, at 7:30 p. m., and was called to order by F. M. Foster, who opened the meeting with prayer. The Conference elected F. M. Foster chairman, M. K. Carson secretary, and A. A. Wylie assistant secretary.

In reference to the memorial of increasing the pastors' salary three hundred dollars more than the minimum, which was referred to us from last Synod, (Minutes of Synod, 1927, pages 104 and 144), the Conference deems it unwise to urge any increase of ministers' salary at the present time.

Altogether provision has been made for twenty-seven congregations. This is three less than last year. The Selma congregation is included in the list of those receiving appropriations this year. It is worthy of note that the Portland congregation did not ask for any share in the appropriations. No appropriation was granted to Ray. Union and North Union in Pittsburgh Presbytery and Washington and Rehoboth in the Iowa Presbytery were united.

The following appropriations were made:

Central Canada—

Delburne—$900 on condition they raise $500.

Lake Reno—$600 for pastor or stated supply on condition they raise $700 or $10 per day for supplies.
Regina—$700 for six months. The six months to begin when the stated supply takes up his work. The Home Mission Board to determine the future interests of the congregation.
Winnipeg—$1,100 for pastor's salary.

Kansas Presbytery—

Eskridge—$500.
Stafford—$600 for pastor or stated supply and $10 per day for supplies on condition they raise $10.

New York Presbytery—

Coldenham—$400 on condition they raise $1,000.
Montclair—$1,000 on condition they raise $1,200.
Cornwallis—$800.
White Lake—$550 on condition they raise $850.

Ohio Presbytery—

Bellefontaine—$950 for pastor's salary.
Cedarville—$115 on condition they raise $115.
Hetherton—$800 for pastor or stated supply or dollar for dollar for supplies.
Utica—$400 for pastor or stated supply.

Pacific Coast Presbytery—

Hemet—$800.
Fresno—$650.

Philadelphia Presbytery—

Orlando—$800 for pastor or stated supply and $5 per day for supplies.

Pittsburgh Presbytery—

Bear Run and Mahoning—$700.
Rehoboth—$750.
Rose Point—$400.
Youngstown—$500.
Union and North Union—$800.

Rochester Presbytery—

Lochiel—$900.

Illinois Presbytery—

Princeton—$400 on condition they raise $900.
Selma—$600.

Iowa Presbytery—

Washington and Rehoboth—$600.
Vernon—$300 was placed at the disposal of the Home Mission Board to be used according to its discretion.

Recommendations:

That congregations be urged to send their contributions for the budget to the Treasurer of Synod, monthly.

That inasmuch as in many cases the most of the members of the congregations seeking aid, do not attend the meet-

ing in which aid is asked, receive no instruction or benefit from the visiting financial agent, and by their absence seem to regard their asking for hundreds of dollars of the church's money as an unimportant matter; we urge that the trustees of the congregation shall thoroughly advertise the financial agent's visit and press upon the members of the congregation their duty of being present at the meeting.

F. M. FOSTER, Chairman,
M. K. CARSON, Secretary.

J. C. Mathews, Secretary, presented the report of the Co-ordinating Committee. The report was adopted as a whole, with reference of the naming of the committee provided for in Item 5 to the Committee on Nominations. The financial statement of the Christian Nation was read and referred to the special committee on a Church Paper. The report of the Co-ordinating Committee is as follows:

REPORT OF THE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE

The Co-ordinating Committee met at the call of D. H. Elliott in the Westminster Hotel, Winona Lake, Indiana, June 5, 1928, at 7:30 p. m. After prayer, R. C. Adams was chosen Chairman and J. C. Mathews, Clerk. The roll of members representing the Presbyteries was completed and is as follows:

Presbytery	Minister	Elder	Deacon
Cen. Canada	H. G. McConaughy		
Colorado	D. C. Mathews	D. A. Bole	R. W. Mitchell
Illinois	W. G. Robb	W. S. Wilson	
Iowa	P. J. McDonald	M. S. Hutcheson	
Kansas	R. C. Adams		
New York	T. M. Slater	E. F. Thompson	
Ohio	J. C. Mathews		E. C. Carr
Pacific Coast	F. D Frazer		
	D. Calderwood		
Philadelphia	F. M. Wilson	T. H. McCandless	
Pittsburgh	D. H. Elliott	A. M. Allen	
Rochester	E. G. Russell		

The various Boards and Committees of the church were represented by the following:

Church Erection—S. E. Greer.
Foreign Missions—W. McCarroll.
Board of Home Missions—J. B. Willson.
Witness Committee—J. B. Willson.
Geneva College—D. C. Mathews.
Theological Seminary—F. M. Foster.
Board of Control—J. T. Hensleigh.
Woman's Association—Mrs. Agnes Steele.
Jewish Mission—S. E. Greer.
Evangelistic Committee—J. B. Willson.
Synod's Board of Trustees—J. S. Tibby.

We would report the following recommendations:

1. That $100,000.00 be the amount of the Budget adopted by Synod for the coming year.

2. That the Budget be apportioned to the separate schemes of the Church as follows:

Church Erection	None
Foreign Missions	$39,300.00
Southern Mission	10,000.00
Home Missions	14,800.00
Indian Mission	None
Witness Committee	5,200.00
Geneva College	13,900.00
Theological Seminary	3,100.00
Students Aid	None
Widows and Orphans	3,000.00
Ministerial Relief	3,500.00
Evangelistic Committee	2,600.00
Woman's Association	2,000.00
Jewish Mission	2,600.00
	$100,000.00

3. That the apportionment to the Presbyteries be the same as last year, which is as follows:

Central Canada	$ 550.00
Colorado	4,300.00
Illinois	5,700.00
Iowa	6,800.00
Kansas	17,100.00
New York	12,850.00
Ohio	4,800.00
Philadelphia	9,300.00
Pacific Coast	5,200.00
Pittsburgh	30,100.00
Rochester	3,300.00
	$100,000.00

4. That $400.00 of the appropriation to the Theological Seminary be used for the Library.

5. That Synod appoint a Committee of five to study conditions throughout the Church as to the advisability of a reapportionment of Synod's Budget to the Presbyteries and report to the Coordinating Committee in 1929.

6. The financial statement of the Christian Nation is hereby referred to Synod for disposal.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. MATHEWS, Clerk.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Schools was submitted by the Chairman, J. G. McElhinney, and was adopted as a whole, with the reference of Item 3 to the special Committee on a Church Paper. The Com-

mittee was instructed to provide substitute lessons for Christmas, Easter, and other special church days of Romish origin. The report is as follows:

REPORT OF PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS

The youth constitute the springtime of each generation. The spring is the most favorable season in which to sow the seed. We have reasonable assurance to expect that the seed of the Word sown in the hearts of the children will bring forth a harvest of right thinking and right living.

Every Sabbath School needs at least three things.

1. Trained and Consecrated Leadership.

With the emphasis of Teachers' Training in our public schools and in our Sabbath Schools, the standard of our teachers is gradually rising to a higher level of efficiency. Each teacher and officer should seek that spiritual awakening which will open their eyes both to the opportunity of and responsibility for, the development of Christian character and the influencing the destiny of the youth who come under their instruction.

2. An adequate Course of Study.

This we believe we have in our Supplemental Course of Graded Lessons.

These lessons furnish our children with every form of Bible teaching which they are likely to require in preparation for church membership and for Christian living. Do our church leaders and S. S. teachers realize how really adequate this course of lessons is to meet the needs of our youth in this age of irreligion and scepticism?

3. A safe and attractive S. S. Literature.

To provide attractive lesson helps and reading matter of our own is a problem which has been facing our Church for a long time. As we have faced the question of a Supplemental Graded Course of lessons, and have provided such a course it seems that we should also face courageously this problem. We believe the need is apparent to everyone. It is merely the matter of the expense and of securing persons, capable of preparing the lesson helps and interesting stories and reading matter adapted to the children and young people of different ages.

We should consider no reasonable expense too great to provide a safe and suitable literature for the Sabbath Schools of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

The supply of Supplemental studies is practically exhausted.

We make the following recommendations.

1. That our people be urged to avail themselves of every opportunity for training for greater efficiency in managing and teaching in our Sabbath Schools.

2. That a second edition of the Supplemental Course of Graded Lessons be provided by the Committee on Sabbath Schools.

3. That the Committee on church paper be directed to consider the advisability of our Church publishing her own "Helps" on the Sabbath School lessons, and story papers adapted to the needs and the religious and spiritual ideals of our church.

J. G. McELHINNEY,
D. C. MATHEWS.

The Presbyteries submitted their reports. That of the Presbytery in China was adopted without reference. The report of Pacific Coast Presbytery was adopted with reference to the Board of Control. All others were adopted with reference to the Committee on Supplies. The reports follow:

CENTRAL CANADA

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

We have held one regular meeting of Presbytery during the year and one meeting of the Ad Interim Commission.

There are four congregations under our care, only one of which, Winnipeg, has a settled pastor. The other minister on our roll, H. G. McConaughy was released from the pastorate of Lake Reno congregation on Oct. 13, 1927 and has, since Nov. 1st, been laboring as stated supply at Delburne. Regina has been supplied with preaching throughout the year by J. B. Gilmore. Lake Reno has been supplied part time and the people there are desirous of obtaining the services of a pastor.

We have had one senior and one junior C. Y. P. U. organized during the year. Half our congregations increased their membership and the other half managed to keep from reporting a decrease. Approximately 90% of our share of Synod's Budget was raised.

F. F. Reade is chairman of our committee on supplies and H. G. McConaughy is our financial agent.

H. G. McConaughy was appointed to represent the Presbytery on the Co-ordinating committee and F. F. Reade named delegate to the Mission Conference.

We request the full time of one laborer and half time of another.

Our statistical report was duly forwarded and our traveling fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
F. F. READE, Clerk.

CHINA

The China Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have held one regular and one called meeting during the year.

We have three organized congregations on our roll, an increase of one since our last report, as T'aai P'ing Mission station was organized into a congregation during the year.

We also have nine mission stations, a decrease of four. This decrease is accounted for by the fact that the majority of the members in two or three stations have been scattered by the robbers and the work there has had to cease for the time being. The light is beginning to shine in Hoi Kin, the farthest and most inaccessible part of our field, where it is reported there are seven or eight men, who largely through their study of the Word, have decided to become Christians and are only waiting the visit of a minister to be baptized.

Our two Chinese ministers and three unordained evangelists have been employed in visiting and preaching in the various congregations and stations. The two foreign ministers have spent their time largely in teaching in the training school. In addition we have three unordained men who are supporting themselves and preaching in the places where they live.

We have four students who have completed their second year in the Seminary.

We are happy to report that the severe anti-Christian activities fostered by the "Reds" during the first half of the year have ceased so that as this report is being written there is nothing to hinder the preaching of the word. We praise the Lord for all His goodness.

Respectfully submitted,
E. C. MITCHELL, English Clerk.
CHUE HON SHANG, Chinese Clerk.

COLORADO

We began the year with one pastor and two vacant congregations; this year we are happy to report that our three congregations all have settled pastors. On June 29, 1927, Presbytery met at Greeley and duly installed D. C. Mathews as pastor. This congregation has built a beautiful and commodius parsonage for its pastor and family, thus greatly increasing the value of its equipment.

The regular meeting of the Presbytery was held at Palmer Lake, in August, in conjunction with the Presbyterials of the Ladies Missionary Society and the Young Peoples Union. This was the first attempt to hold a summer conference in the Presbytery, and the success of the venture was very gratifying. The attendance was good, the meetings were full of enthusiasm and spiritual power, and the recreational features were wholesome and enjoyable. Special mention should be made of the services of Rev. D. Bruce Martin, who conducted a helpful course in Bible study on the Person and Work of the Holy Spirit.

Encouraged by the success of last year, plans were immediately set on foot for a similar conference this year. Two successful booster banquets have been held during the year, one at Denver in the holidays, and one at Greeley in April. Estes Park has been selected as the meeting place, and August 15 to 19 as the date. A cordial invitation is extended any of the brethren from the East who may be planning a western trip for the summer, to put this conference on their schedule.

On August 18, 1927, a certificate of transfer to Kansas Presbytery was issued to Rev. C. T. Carson. Presbytery gave suitable expression of its appreciation of Mr. Carson's years of service within its bounds.

Licentiate M. Wylie Dougherty, after some months as Stated Supply at La Junta, was given a hearty and unanimous call by that congregation. Having signified his intention to accept the call, Presbytery was called to meet at La Junta on November 10, 1927. Mr. Dougherty was received by certificate from Kansas Presbytery, and taken under the care of Presbytery as a licentiate. The call was presented and accepted, and the Presbytery proceeded at once with his ordination and installation. The session of this congregation was strengthened during the year by the addition of Mr. D. A. Bole, who was ordained and installed as an elder. Under its new leadership this faithful band has taken on new life and zeal.

Besides the three pastors, we have on our roll the names of three other ministers: H. B. McMillan continues his work as Field Secretary of the American Sunday School Union; A. I. Robb, physically unable for active service, resides at Van Nuys, California. J. B. Gilmore wishes to be recommended to Synod for appointments in vacant congregations.

D. C. Mathews, the elder from La Junta, and a deacon from Denver, were appointed as Presbytery's representatives on the Co-ordinating Committee, with the elder from Greeley as alternate. J. G. McElhinney is our representative to the Mission Conference, and is the Moderator of Presbytery.

Two of our congregations paid their quota to the Budget in full. The third had extra local expense in the building of a parsonage. Our quota of Synod's Traveling Fund is full. D. A. Bole is Presbytery's financial agent.

Respectfully submitted,
D. C. MATHEWS, Clerk.

ILLINOIS

Illinois Presbytery would respectfully report;

One regular meeting, three Synodical meetings and three meetings of the Interim Commission have been held during the year. The Women's Presbyterial Missionary Society met at the time of the regular meeting of Presbytery. A joint conference was held on the subject of Evangelism.

J. M. Wylie is doing excellent work in the field of National Reform in an effort to secure the restoration of the Bible to its rightful place in the public schools of Illinois. Copies of the "Daily Readings" prepared by D. H. Elliott are placed in the hands of teachers who are urged to use them in devotional exercises. A bill for "Required Readings" is being prepared to be introduced into the Legislature of 1929. Ministerial alliances and denominational conferences have endorsed this movement. We have had more openings for the presentation of this cause than we have been able to fill.

The Young Peoples' Convention will meet in the Old Bethel congregation in August. Of our six congregations, four

have settled pastors. The Selma congregation is under the care of the Home Mission Board. W. J. McBurney has been called to Princeton and will be installed June 21, 1928. He was received as a member of the Presbytery, June 7, 1928. Four of the congregations paid their share of the budget in full. Eight ministers are on our roll. Five of these are settled in the pastorate. J. C. Mitchel is engaged in the work at Fresno. J. K. Robb resides at Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania. S. F. Kingston is engaged in work in connection with the Good Samaritan hospital of Selma, Alabama. The time of J. K. Robb and S. F. Kingston is at the disposal of Synod. J. M. Coleman was certified to Kansas Presbytery, September 20th, 1927. W. G. Robb is a member of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College. G. M. Robb is chairman of the Committee of supplies. Our representatives on the Co-ordinating Committee were W. G. Robb and elder, W. S. Wilson. G: M. Robb represented the Presbytery in the Mission Conference.

Licentiate Frank H. Lathom was transferred to New York Presbytery, June 7, 1928.

The days of Thanksgiving, and of Humiliation and Confession were duly observed.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk. Our traveling fund is paid in full.

M. K. CARSON,
Clerk of Presbytery.

IOWA

The Iowa Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have held, besides the meetings at Synod, June 1927, one regular meeting, one called meeting, and one meeting of the interim commission. The annual meeting of the Presbytery, held August 2, was simultaneous with the Women's Presbyterial Missionary society and the Young People's Society. There was a good representation from nearly all the congregations and enthusiastic, interesting sessions of all the organizations. The result was that the Covenanter cause in the bounds of the Presbytery was encouraged and new interest developed in the principles for which our Church has long stood.

There are seven congregations under our care and seven ministers, five of whom are pastors. Wyman and Washington united in making out a call for Remo I. Robb, who was ordained and installed at a called meeting of Presbytery on January 26, 1928. Thus all our congregations, except Vernon, are provided with pastors, and we trust that arrangements may soon be made whereby a worker will be sent to Vernon also. There has been a decrease of one in the eldership and four in the membership during the last year. On the other hand there has been an increase of two deacons, of five professions of faith by Covenanter children and one-hundred and twenty in Sabbath school enrollment. We have twelve more in our Young People's Societies and five more tithers than last year.

$898.00 more is paid for pastors' salaries than last year, $548.00 more was given to the Budget. There is a total gain in benevolences of $921.00.

One minister, W. C. Allen, has retired from active work. The time of the other, Dr. James S. McGaw is at the disposal of Synod.

Synod's Evangelistic worker, Mr. R. A. M. Steele, has visited two of our congregations, and his work has been well received. His stimulating and inspiring work cannot fail to bear fruit in the Kingdom of Our Lord.

Presbytery has sought to stress the need and value of personal work in our congregations, and the cultivation of a willing, enthusiastic spirit in all the service of Christ.

H. G. Patterson continues as Presbytery's Committee on Supplies.

Family visitation has been conducted in some of our congregations; and in all loyal devotion to the Royal Claims of our Redeemer and the importance of maintaining our position of separation from all institutions which refuse allegiance to Him is urged.

Our traveling fund is paid in full.

Examination of sessional records is regularly followed and our statistical report forwarded to Synod's Statistical Clerk.

Adopted by Presbytery June 7, 1928.
P. J. McDONALD, Clerk.

KANSAS

The Kansas Presbytery would respectfully report:

During the year there has been one regular meeting of Presbytery and ten meetings of the Interim Commission. Our regular meeting was held at Sterling, Kansas, and Presbytery joined with the Sterling, congregation in celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversary of the congregation. Our Presbytery is comprised of fifteen congregations and one Mission Station—Irving Place Mission under the care of the Topeka congregation. Three of our congregations are without settled pastors, Beulah, Superior and Stafford congregations. During the year three names have been added to our roll: J. M. Coleman, who was installed pastor of the Quinter congregation October 12, 1927; Chas. T. Carson who has been teaching at Sterling College, October 5, 1927, and J. R. Latimer October 11, 1927, who has been compelled to resign the active pastorate because of failing health. Licentiate Roy Fullerton was certified to Pittsburgh Presbytery October 11, 1927, and Licentiate Wylie Dougherty to Colorado Presbytery November 2, 1927.

We record with sadness the death of two elders, J. T. Sanderson of Hebron and T. K. Tippin of Sterling, Kansas, and commend their faithfulness.

A plan of work committee appointed each year considers the needs of our fields and suggests improvements at our regular meetings. Also the elders each year report the spiritual work done and conditions of their congregations. The spiritual outlook is encouraging. Many of our congregations have held special services during the year with gratifying results. Some of our congregations are making use of a "lay-

man's" offer in distributing tithing literature to their people. Special services have been held on days designated by Synod.

Our Y. P. conference deserves mention in this report. This annual conference has become a potent factor in promoting not only sociability among the Young People but deeper consecration and more advanced spiritual power. Its spirit is reflected in the fact that our Young People have organized voluntary prayer groups to present their own needs and the need of the church at the Throne of Grace. Two of our congregations, Quinter and Sterling, have recently provided new parsonages for the use of their pastors.

The time of J. W. Dill, Isaiah Faris, G. R. McBurney, and J. R. Latimer are at the disposal of Synod. We are asking for the time of one worker. R. C. Adams and J. J. McElroy are our members on the Co-ordinating Committee. W. O. Ferguson is our representative at the Home Mission Conference. D. R. Taggart is Home Mission Secretary and Chairman of Committee of Supplies. Mr. T. H. Reed is our financial agent.

Respectfully submitted,
M. R. JAMESON, Clerk.

NEW YORK

New York would respectfully report:

Since last Synod we have held one regular and one called meeting. The Interim Commission has held four meetings.

We have thirteen congregations under our care. All but two under pastoral oversight. The pastoral relationship was dissolved in two congregations; in Walton congregation by the resignation of the pastor, Boyd A. White, and the declaring the pulpit vacant by the Presbytery on July 13, 1927; and in the Newburgh congregation by the death of the pastor, J. W. F. Carlisle, on April 5, 1928.

Boyd A. White at his own request was certified to Pittsburgh Presbytery.

Twelve ministers are on our roll, one a missionary to China, home on furlough.

Walton congregation has called licentiate Franklin H. Lathom to be their pastor. Mr. Lathom signified his acceptance of the call and a commission has been appointed for his ordination and installation.

Newburgh congregation has been granted the privilege of making its own arrangements for supplying the pulpit part time. Presbytery asks for the time of one man for preaching during the months of October, January, and April.

F. M. Foster is chairman of the Interim Commission and of the committee on supplies, and Alvin W. Smith is the financial agent. Our delegates to the Mission Conference were F. M. Foster and A. M. Thompson; and to the coordination committee, T. M. Slater and E. F. Thomson.

Our statistical report was forwarded in due time. Our Synodical traveling fund has been paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
WALTER McCARROLL, Clerk.

OHIO

Ohio Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have held one regular meeting during the year and our Interim Commission has held two called meetings. We have nine congregations and two mission stations under our care. Two congregations are vacant, Hetherton and Utica. We have eleven ministers on our roll—five are settled pastors, two of whom are serving joint pastorates. D. B. Russell was released from the pastorate of the Utica congregation May 2, 1928, this action to take effect June 3, 1928. Licentiate R. H. McKelvy was on May 2, 1928 transferred to Rochester Presbytery for ordination and installation as pastor of the Lochiel congregation.

Our Presbytery reports a net loss in membership of 19 during the past year. The total membership of the Presbytery is 443. Sixty-nine per cent of our allotment of Synod's Budget was raised this year—the same percentage as raised last year. Four of our congregations raised their budgets in full this year. The total contributions of the Presbytery amounted to $18,314.00.

The program is being arranged for the Presbyterial Young People's Conference, which meets this year at Northwood the latter part of August. T. C. McKnight is our Young People's Secretary. The Presbyterial Plan of Work for the congregations which was in force last year has been continued this year.

T. C. McKnight is our representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College. W. J. Sanderson is Chairman of our Interim Commission and Chairman of Committee of Supplies. E. M. Elsey and W. J. Sanderson are our delegates to the Mission Conference. J. C. Mathews and E. C. Carr, deacon, are our representatives on the Co-ordinating Committee.

The time of D. B. Russell, R. W. Piper, W. S. Fulton and R. Hargrave is at the disposal of Synod. We ask for the time of two workers for our vacant congregations. Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk in due time and our traveling fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. MATHEWS, Clerk.

PACIFIC COAST

Pacific Coast Presbytery would respectfully report:

One regular meeting and two meetings of the Interim Commission were held during the year.

Six congregations are under our care. All have pastors except Fresno. J. R. W. Stevenson spent six months at Fresno as stated supply. Under his efficient leadership our work there has been revived. A neat building has been provided for meetings, and a mission Sabbath school organized. J. C. Mitchel is now on the field as stated supply. We, therefore, make no further request of Synod's Committee on Supplies.

Seven ministers are on our roll. Five of these are settled

pastors. One is unable to resume active service. One is engaged in business.

George Mackay Robb, a member of the Los Angeles congregation, is under our care as a theological student, expecting to enter our Theological Seminary this fall, and is recommended to the Board of Control for a share in the Student's Aid fund.

W. A. Aikin is chairman of the Interim Commission.

J. D. Edgar is chairman of the Committee on Supplies.

D. Calderwood and F. D. Frazer are our representatives on the Co-ordinating Committee.

S. Edgar and J. W. Wylie are our delegates to the Mission Conference.

Our budget and traveling fund are paid in full.

Our statistical report was duly forwarded to the stated clerk.

Respectfully submitted,
F. D. FRAZER, Clerk.

PHILADELPHIA

The Philadelphia Presbytery would respectfully report as follows:

We wish to acknowledge with exceeding gratitude the good hand of our Lord upon us, in our work as a Presbytery this past year.

We have three settled pastors, and one congregation without a pastor. W. J. McBurney at the meeting of Presbytery on April 19, 1928, accepted the call made upon him by the Princeton, Indiana, congregation thus leaving our Orlando congregation vacant. We have on our roll also the names of three licentiates, W. Wilbur Weir, of Larnaca, Cyprus, now at home on furlough; Armour J. McFarland, who has been attending the Biblical Seminary, New York City, and his time is now at the disposal of the Synod, and Mr. J. G. Vos, who completed his theological course in Princeton Seminary in April this year. Our presbytery recommended to Mr. Vos the advisability of attending our own theological Seminary this coming year. And he expressed the earnest desire to do so, if circumstances permit. Mr. Vos' time is at the disposal of Synod.

There was a slight decrease in our membership this past year, owing mainly to the large number of deaths in our several congregations.

The work in the various congregations has been carried on with a large degree of efficiency. "Personal Visitation Evangelization" has been engaged in by the Philadelphia Congregations this past year, and very profitably so.

Our pastors and people have taken an active part in the work of the Jewish Mission, and other activities of a special character have been engaged in by different congregations of the presbytery.

The total contributions of the presbytery to the Lord's work at the present time is, we believe, greater than that of

any other time in the history of the presbytery. For all of which we thank God and take courage to go forward, even though the battle for the continued existence of our Covenanter church in the large cities, is becoming more and more a serious one.

F. M. Wilson and Thomas H. McCandless were the constituent members of presbytery on the co-ordinating committee. Frank L. Stewart was presbytery's representative in the Home Missions Conference. Our budget was raised in full, and more than $1,600.00 over and above the budget. We request one half of the time of one laborer during the present year. Our statistical report was forwarded to Synod's Stated Clerk.

S. E. GREER, Clerk.

PITTSBURGH

Pittsburgh Presbytery would respectfully report that since our last report we have held two regular meetings, one synod meeting and one special meeting. The Interim Commission on Calls has held three meetings.

We now have twenty-one congregations under our care. At a special meeting of presbytery held February 14, 1928, in the Allegheny church, Pittsburgh, Pa., presbytery sanctioned and effected the union of the Central Allegheny and the Pittsburgh congregations. This was done at their joint request. The united congregation is known as the Central Pittsburgh congregation. The united congregation retained the two pastors and all the officers of the two churches. They hope to have a new house of worship in the near future located where they think they may carry forward a more extensive mission work.

Fourteen of our congregations have settled pastors. One has a stated supply. Six are without pastors.

Roy C. Fullerton was received as a licentiate from the Kansas presbytery and ordained and installed pastor of the New Alexandria congregation, October 18, 1928.

A. Kilpatrick was released at his own request from the pastorate of the Union congregation, July 7, 1927. Wm. M. Doig was released from the pastorate of the Miller's Run congregation at his own request August 29, 1927. J. M. Johnston was released from the pastorate of the Connellsville congregation to take up work in the Southern Mission, December 31, 1927.

A call made by the Connellsville congregation on J. T. Mitchell to become their pastor is pending.

Remo I. Robb, licentiate under the care of Pittsburgh Presbytery, was certified to Iowa presbytery at his own request, to become pastor of Rehoboth and Washington congregations.

Boyd A. White was received by certificate from the New York presbytery, June 7, 1928.

There are now forty-two ministers on our roll. Fifteen of these are settled pastors. One of these is also a stated supply for another congregation. Three are engaged in home mission activities. Two are professors in the Seminary. Seven are en-

gaged full time in work for Geneva College. One is in National Reform work. One is employed as professor in Wooster College. Three are employed in business pursuits. Eight are retired from active service. Two are in active service as supplies.

We now have two licentiates under our care.

Our superintendent of Young People's Work is Paul D. McCracken. Under the leadership of our superintendent and the President, Paul Slater, of the presbyterial, plans are being made for another splendid conference at Rose Point this year to be held August 24 to September 3, 1928.

J. G. Reed is our Home Mission Secretary and committee on Supplies. He has been actively engaged during the year in securing preaching and pastoral work for all the vacant congregations of the presbytery.

J. K. Gault is moderator of the presbytery. E. L. McKnight is Chairman of the Commission on Calls.

J. K. Gault, J. T. Mitchell and W. J. Ward were chosen to represent presbytery on the Home Mission Conference.

D. H. Elliott and A. M. Allen were our representatives on the Co-ordinating Committee.

Our traveling fund is paid in full. Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk.

The full time of W. M. Doig, W. J. Coleman, and R. C. Ward, after the first of September is at the disposal of Synod. We can take the full time of three laborers.

Respectfully submitted,
A. A. WYLIE, Clerk.

ROCHESTER

Rochester Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have had one regular and two special meetings of Presbytery during the year. There are five congregations under our care. One has no pastor.

E. G. Russell was installed pastor of the Syracuse congregation by a commission of Presbytery on June 22, 1927. J. R. Latimer, after laboring on the frontier for eighteen years in Lochiel congregation, was released at his own request by Presbytery on October 11, 1927, and was certified to Kansas Presbytery. A call was made upon Licentiate R. H. McKelvy by Lochiel congregation to become its pastor. R. H. McKelvy, having accepted the call, was received from Ohio Presbytery and was ordained and installed by Rochester Presbytery on May 31, 1928. This is a source of encouragement to the loyal people of Lochiel and also Presbytery welcomes another pastor in its midst.

E. G. Russell and J. W. M. Hart were appointed members of presbytery on the co-ordinating committee and W. M. McNeel on the mission conference.

During the summer Lisbon congregation has received the ministrations of R. Hargrave and W. J. McKnight. R. H. McKelvy has been appointed financial agent of Presbytery.

The time of Wm. McFarland is at the disposal of Synod. Our statistical report was forwarded in due time to the stated

clerk. Our traveling fund is paid in full. W. M. McNeel is chairman of supplies.

J. M. RUTHERFORD, Clerk.

The minutes of the Syrian Commission were read by W. W. Weir, approved and ordered engrossed on the Minutes of Synod.

MINUTES OF THE SYRIAN COMMISSION

The Syrian Commission of Synod met at the call of the Moderator, A. J. McFarland, at the home of Calvin McCarroll on Mt. Troodos, Cyprus, on August 16, 1927. Members present, A. J. McFarland, Calvin McCarroll and C. E. Caskey. The meeting was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. The committee to examine Licentiates Dimitriades and Aghbabian reported progress and was continued and the name of Dr. Calvin McCarroll was added to the committee. Synod's letter to the commission was read and ordered put on the minutes and the clerk was asked to acknowledge it. Congregations are to have their session books ready for examination at the next meeting of the Commission. The Commission was adjourned with prayer by C. E. Caskey, to meet at the call of the Moderator at such time as seems convenient in 1928.

A. J. McFARLAND, Moderator.
C. E. CASKEY. Clerk.

The Committee on Discipline submitted its report which was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF DISCIPLINE

Your committee would respectfully report:

The papers concerning the affairs in the Central Pittsburgh congregation were placed in our hands.

We found certain irregularities in connection with the matter, but were unanimously of the opinion that it would be a part of wisdom to overlook these technicalities in the present instance, and allow the petitioners to be heard.

Accordingly we recommend that a commission be appointed to meet this evening, if possible, to adjudicate the whole matter in dispute.

The following is the commission which the committee took the liberty to name for the approval of Synod:

J. M. Wylie, H. G. Patterson, J. G. McElhinney, S. E. Greer, W. J. Sanderson, E. G. Russell, John A. Hemphill, W. S. Wilson, E. F. Thomson.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. McKNIGHT,
A. W. SMITH,
J. G. REED,
J. C. ELDER.
J. W. WYLIE,

A communication from an elder of Colorado Presbytery, regularly transferred by Presbytery, was referred to the Committee to canvass the vote on the Overture.

The report on Unfinished Business was taken up.

Item 7. Revision Book of Discipline.

W. J. Coleman reported nothing done during the year. The Committee was continued.

Item 8. Publication Digest Deliverances of Synod.

R. C. Wylie reported by letter. The report was adopted and is as follows:

DIGEST DELIVERANCES OF SYNOD

This committee is not yet able to make a final report as was anticipated at the last meeting of Synod. Unforeseen difficulties have hindered our progress, and we cannot set a date when the book will be ready for the press. Dr. R. C. Reed's sickness and death have had something to do with the delay, but the most of his work was completed before he was entirely disabled, and provision was made for completing what he was not able to finish. If the Synod thinks best, the vacancy caused by his death should be filled by a man who has some experience in putting copy in proper shape for printer.

Respectfully submitted,
R. C. WYLIE, Chairman.

Item 9. Preparation lantern slides.

No report, and the matter was dropped.

Item 10. Resolutions on exploitation of weaker nations.

No report because of misunderstanding. The matter was dropped.

Item 11. Clerk of the Mission Conference to send the resolutions of the Conference to specified parties.

The Clerk reported the matter attended to.

Item 12. Literature on Every-Member Canvass, etc., to be furnished to all congregations.

Referred to the Department of Young People's Work and Home Resources.

Item 13. Advisory Committee for Near East Relief.

The Foreign Board appointed the Committee, its report was submitted, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NEAR EAST RELIEF TO THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Synod's Committee on Near East Relief, reappointed at its session in Winona Lake last year, respectfully reports to the Synod the hearty appreciation of the orphans of Bible Lands and the organization responsible for their care, Near East Relief. The committee believes that this philanthropy is vitally needed, constructive in policy and administration, Christ-like in spirit and fruitful in results.

Many recognized church leaders have seen the work during the past year and they bear a testimony unanimously favorable. Our own missionaries are frequently in touch with the work overseas.

One of the interesting features since our last report is the preparation and translation of lesson material for the orphans, which is also being accepted widely by the Eastern Orthodox churches. These ancient churches are now welcoming the co-operation of Western Christianity, and through them we may be able to make another vital contribution to the development of God's Kingdom on earth.

A Book of Numbers, if it had been kept, would show at least 1,300,000 people saved from perishing by Near East Relief. It has sheltered and given some service to 132,562 children, of whom 32,131 remain its wards. Of these 13,005 are in orphanages, 19,126 in subsidized homes or under supervision outside of orphanages.

We know that the work is not finished, but we rejoice that its completion is in orderly progress. After a careful study of the situation by the overseas staff, the remaining obligations and commitments of Near East Relief have been budgeted. The budget is fully endorsed by the Survey Committee, composed of recognized experts in each type of work and representatives of the Mission Boards and other American agencies working there. The sum of $6,000,000 is required to consummate our care of these orphans and to assist in cleaning up the remaining refugee centers.

An Underwriting Campaign to raise the $6,000,000 has been launched to secure the budget as quickly as possible. When this sum is secured financial campaigns for Near East Relief will cease, but the work overseas must go on until the children are brought to self-support. It is expected that by June 30, 1929, the financial campaign will have been brought to complete success.

This policy is heartily endorsed by the church leaders who met with the Trustees of Near East Relief at their annual Meeting this year, by the Federal Council of Churches, the International Council of Religious Education, and many other organizations.

Your Committee suggests that a committee be continued to co-operate with Near East Relief and with similar committees of other churches.

We urge that our churches do their full share in helping to complete the work for the remaining orphans. The most active co-operation is required to obtain the $6,000,000 necessary to conserve the values of the past work, to care for the orphans who still require America's loving service, and to aid in breaking up the distressing refugee camps.

We also urge that our churches and Sabbath schools continue their support of Near East Relief and that a proper observance by them of Golden Rule Sabbath be recommended.

With a view to gathering the records of our church's gifts, that all offerings be sent as here-to-fore to Mr. Joseph M. Steele, Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions, for transmission by him to Near East Relief.

Respectfully submitted: Synod's Committee on Near East Relief.

FINDLEY M. WILSON, Chairman,
WALTER McCARROLL,
SAMUEL R. BOGGS,
EVAN W. JONES.

The Moderator announced the following committees on Presbyterial Records:

COMMITTEES—PRESBYTERIAL RECORDS

Central Canada—
J. M. Rutherford
T. A. McElwain
W. M. McDonald

China—
J. T. Mitchell
W. S. Fulton
M. F. Russell

Colorado—
A. W. Smith
R. H. McKelvey
A. H. Mearns

Illinois—
G. R. Steele
S. G. Conner
T. H. Reed

Iowa—
W. M. McNeel
Howard George
W. S. Wilson

Kansas—
D. B. Russell
Samuel Edgar
Jas. K. McKeown

New York—
W. A. Aikin
Dr. A. M. Allen
Wm. Huston

Ohio—
J. C. Slater
S. R. Davis
John A. Hemphill

Pacific Coast—
J. A. Kempf
J. K. Gault
Thomas McCandless

Philadelphia—
W. J. Sanderson
J. M. Coleman
R. O. George

Pittsburgh—
J. R. W. Stevenson
Robt. Park
J. J. McElroy

Rochester—
E. M. Elsey
J. B. Forsythe
Robt. Dill

Synod adjourned with prayer by W. J. Coleman.

SATURDAY FORENOON, JUNE 9, 1928.

Synod met at the appointed time, was called to order by the Moderator, and by him constituted with prayer. The alphabetic roll was called.

Devotional exercises were led by Remo I. Robb.

The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

The offering for Synod's expenses was lifted, amounting to $71.13.

The report of the special committee on Young People's Work and Home Resources was submitted by J. Boyd Tweed and taken up item by item. After prolonged discussion, the report was left in the hands of the Committee for Revision.

The Synod was addressed by Samuel R. Boggs on the subject of Lay Evangelism.

As previously arranged, Synod engaged in a memorial service for Dr. R. C. Reed at the hour of the funeral service in Pittsburgh. H. G. Patterson presided.. A. A. Wylie led in prayer. Elder W. S. Wilson of Old Bethel, Mr. Reed's first charge, and F. M. Foster paid tribute to the life and character of Dr. Reed. The service was closed with prayer by E. L. McKnight.

Synod adjourned with prayer by D. C. Mathews, to meet at 9:00 a. m. Monday.

MONDAY FORENOON, JUNE 11, 1928.

Synod met according to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer by Walter McCarroll.

The roll was called.

Devotional exercises were led by Elder Robert Dill.

The minutes of the Saturday forenoon session were read and approved.

The Committee on Traveling Fund was instructed to pay the traveling expenses of J. Campbell White and S. R. Boggs.

It was resolved to take an offering for the China Famine Relief Fund in connection with the devotional service tomorrow morning.

R. A. M. Steele made a personal statement as to his musical education and service to the church.

The consideration of the report on Young People's Work and Home Resources was resumed. The remaining items were adopted, the vote on item 6 being by ballot. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK AND HOME RESOURCES.

Your committee would respectfully report that it has carefully and prayerfully reviewed the matter referred to it for consideration. It is the unanimous conviction of the committee that the Church has reached the crisis which should be definitely faced by this Synod. There are two facts which should arrest our attention: First, a diminishing membership; second, a spirit of discouragement generally throughout the Church. If these are not arrested the result will be disastrous..

Your committee is of the conviction that the crisis should be met regardless of the sacrifice in men and money. Three things are essential: 1—An awakening of the spiritual life throughout the Church. 2—A program through which an awakened spiritual life will find expression in Church building. 3—A person or persons through whom both spiritual life and Church building program shall be made articulate.

If the plan to be suggested by the committee is adopted, it will mean sacrifice on the part of some congregations for the sake of the welfare of the whole church, but drastic measures are essential in the case of life and death. The committee believes that the Church,—discouraged but faithful to her Reigning King,—is ready to go forward if the Synod will adopt the program adequate to the needs. The Church is eager to know what the Synod is going to do in the midst of this crisis.

We therefore recommend the following:

I. That the entire Church be urged to make the present crisis a subject for earnest and believing prayer throughout the coming year.

II. That Synod reaffirm items 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 of the report of the Committee on Forward Movement 1927 Minutes, p. 98.

Items.

1. We recommend: That the Forward Movement work be continued under the name of "Department of Young People's Work and Home Resources," and that there shall be included in this department, the work of Young People's Secretary, Home Mission Secretary, the Evangelistic Work, and work formerly called the Forward Movement.

2. That a "Secretary of Young People's Work and Home Resources" shall be employed for a period of five years at an annual salary of three thousand dollars ($3,000.00).

3. The expense of the Secretary and such help as he may require shall be provided for as in the case of the Forward Movement.

4. That J. D. Edgar be elected Secretary of this department.

6. That, in order that he may be acquainted with the work of the Boards and be a connecting link between the young people and these Boards and their needs, the Secretary shall be appointed a consultative member of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards and of the College and Seminary Boards.

III. That the details connected with an office and the creation of a program to be commended to the Churches be left to the discretion of the Secretary-elect.

IV. That someone be employed as singer and worker in connection with the work of evangelism.

V. That the one chosen for this position serve under the direction of and in cooperation with the Secretary of Young People's Work and Home Resources.

VI. That the salary of said worker be placed at $2,500 a year and expenses.

VII. That R. A. M. Steele be elected to this position. ,

VIII. That Synod strongly urge upon pastors, sessions, congregations, Professors, teachers and students in mission fields at home and abroad and in our college and seminary, the duty of personal evangelism and commend the prayer group method as a plan of action.

IX. That Saturday evening of the next meeting of Synod and another evening to be selected by Synod's clerk be set aside for round table conferences; one evening to be devoted to reports from all pastors, sessions and congregations as to work attempted in evangelism and Church building; the other evening to be devoted to the consideration of practical church problems, the arrangements for said meetings to be in the hands of the Secretary of Young People's Work and Home Resources.

X. That the reports referred to in the previous item consist of such matters as: The organization of prayer groups, visitation among the unchurched, number of persons interviewed or brought to a decision for Christ, and number of persons who have been brought into the membership of the Church, and any other items which will throw light upon the problems of evangelism, as a result of the experiences of the year.

Respectfully submitted,
J. BOYD TWEED,
D. B. MARTIN,
E. K. PATTON,
E. L. McKNIGHT,
E. J. M. DICKSON,
W. W. WIER,
RAYMOND JOSEPH.

J. C. Slater, F. D. Frazer, F. M. Foster, J. M. Johnston, Roy C. Fullerton, J. B. Willson, G. R. Steele, M. W. Dougherty and T. A. McElwain gave notice of their dissent from the action of Synod on items 4, 5, and 6.

It was resolved that in case it is deemed necessary for the one who has been chosen Secretary of Young People's Work and Home Resources to remove to a place more nearly in the center of the church, that the expenses connected with such a change of location be paid and charged as office expenses.

It was further resolved that in case of a vacancy in this Department the matter be cared for by the Board of Home Missions, acting as a Commission of Synod.

Synod took recess until 2.00 p. m., with prayer by Elder T. H. Boyd.

MONDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 11, 1928.

Synod reconvened at 2:00 o'clock, was called to order by the Moderator, opened with singing a portion of the 72nd Psalm, and prayer by T. M. Slater. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Rev. Charles A. McAlpine addressed the Synod on behalf of the American Bible Society, and Mr. D. Burr Jones on behalf of Near East Relief. To each of these the Moderator made appropriate reply.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was read by F. E. Allen, and taken up item by item. In connection with the consideration of the report as a whole, F. L. Stewart led the Synod in a season of prayer on behalf of the Jewish Mission. J. M. Johnston, W. J. Anderson and Dr. Kate McBurney, spoke of the work in the Southern Mission. R. C. Adams and D. B. Martin spoke on behalf of the work of the Indian Mission. E. L. McKnight spoke on behalf of the Home Mission Board. After prayer by J. M. Coleman, the report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions would respectfully report:

The reports of the Jewish Mission Board and the Home Mission Board have been placed in our hands.

Their reports tell us of the work of these Boards in the oversight and promotion of the work of the congregations which are not self-supporting,—the Jewish Mission, the Southern Mission, and the Indian Mission. We wish to express our appreciation of the earnest thought and labor of the members of the Boards and all the workers in the fields.

We rejoice with the Jewish Mission force in the measure

of success which they have had and sympathize with them on account of the many difficulties which they face as they work among this people. As we think of the condition of the Jewish people we are reminded of the terrible results which follow the rejection of Christ and breaking covenant with God. We note the bitter persecution which one has had to face who has boldly taken his stand for Christ. We are encouraged to hope that many others who are hesitating may be led in like manner to make an open profession of faith. We wish to encourage those of the congregations in Philadelphia who assist with this work. The distribution of Bibles, tracts, the visits of the missionaries, the holding of mothers' meetings, and the memorizing of Scripture passages cannot fail of good results, for the Lord's word will not return to him void.

We commend the Board of Home Missions for taking an interest in the spiritual as well as the financial interests of the smaller congregations which are under their care. We hope that the Board may be able to secure pastors for these congregations, and where ministers are not available that a devoted missionary may be secured to help in the leadership and encouragement of these congregations. Those who labor on amidst many discouragements deserve our heartiest moral, financial and prayerful support.

That the work in the Southern Mission has been unusually encouraging is a cause for thanksgiving. We know that unusual economy and sacrifice are required to operate a school of 600 pupils on the money given to this mission. We commend those in charge of the school and all the pupils. We are pleased to note that Prof. Bottoms has secured the assistance of his pupils to do the work on the buildings and sidewalk. The fact that all the pupils in the school are being taught the Bible and to memorize it has been a feature which has pleased the Church from year to year.

The reorganization of the work at Knox Academy and the congregation at Selma is worthy of special attention. We hope that the plans made may be beneficial both to the school and the church. We feel grateful to Mrs. M. I. Robb for the many years of faithful service which she has rendered to the mission, in the home department, and to Miss Ferguson and Miss Senegal for their assistance in this work. We hope that there may be no retrenchment in this important department of the work. The evangelistic work, as in past years, seems to be a means of deepening the spirituality of those in the Academy and of reaping the fruits of the teachers' toil. We hope and pray that under the Rev. J. M. Johnston the congregation may be built up in numbers and strength.

Since the hope of the American Indians, as of all others, is in Christ we lament the fact that so many of those about our mission in Apache take so little interest in him. We honor those who have remained faithful. We are pleased to hear of the splendid work done by the Sabbath School superintendent. It is encouraging to know that some who have wandered from the right path have been restored. But that which brings the most joy is to learn of the ten who have made a profession of faith

in Christ and that the work of former years is bearing fruit in the children.

We are pleased to learn that the balance is so large that there is no need of an appropriation for the Indian Mission this year. The Women of the Pittsburgh Presbyterial are to be commended for their faithful support through the years of the existence of this mission. We commend Mr. and Mrs. Adams for their faith and work and also to your prayers for their future success.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That the Home Mission Board give active cooperation to Presbyteries to secure an early settlement of vacant congregations.

2. That the Home Mission Board continue to seek to secure the names of persons who might serve in city congregations desiring a missionary, or for a time in weaker congregations which do not have a pastor or are not able to support one. We appeal to ministers and members to send in the names of such workers.

3. That missionary societies be requested to provide garments for the Jewish and Southern Missions such as are mentioned in these reports and which aided them last year.

4. We urge the Board and management of the Southern Mission not to diminish but rather to promote the home department.

5. That we pray and labor for a young man from among the Indians who may be trained for the ministry to labor among his own people..

6. That in accordance with the recommendation of the Home Mission Board, ministers be urged to make frequent statements from the pulpit explaining the work and appealing for its support, and that they be asked to cooperate in distributing the requests for prayer.

7. That J. C. Slater, D. H. Elliott, S. G. Conner and J. B. Willson, be elected their own successors on the Home Mission Board, and that J. G. Reed be appointed in place of W. M. Doig, who is so located that he cannot attend the meetings.

8. That S. E. Greer, Ellsworth Jackson, Miss Sarah Archer and F. L. Stewart be appointed their own successors on the Board of Jewish Missions; and in order to correct a mistake of last year that John Crozier be appointed for two years on this board, his term to expire in 1930.

9. That in accordance with the recommendation of the Boards, Frank L. Stewart be heard on behalf of the Jewish Mission, J. M. Johnston and R. J. McIsaac be heard on behalf of the Southern Mission; R. C. Adams and D. B. Martin on behalf of the Indian Mission and E. L. McKnight on behalf of the Home Mission Board.

10. That in accordance with the recommendation of the Home Mission Board Synod engage in special prayer for Home Mission work.

F. E. ALLEN,
W. G. ROBB,
F. D. FRAZER,
R. P. JOSEPH,
S. R. DAVIS.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

The Board of Home Missions would respectfully report:

The year has been marked by the Divine favor. The Lord Jesus Christ is on the throne, the Great Head of the church is vitally and constantly concerned for the triumph of His kingdom in the world. "He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till He have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for His law." What an inspiration to labor on, since He who stands at the head of this, the mightiest movement on earth, and furnishes the guidance and the power by which it advances, is One who cannot "fail" and who will not be "discouraged" till He achieve His great objective, namely, the moral and spiritual conquest of this world. No failure here. Omniscience and omnipotence are the guarantee. It is ours but to yield ourselves into the hand of God to be used of Him. May our surrender be complete, that our service may be full.

Home Missions.

Monies voted, by last Synod, for the aid of congregations, the distribution of which was committed to your Board, were paid out in accordance with your directions. Where money was placed in the hands of the Board to be paid for aid of certain congregations at our discretion, it was done according to our best judgment. In every case, we have endeavored to be as helpful as possible to the congregation concerned. The Board has not only concerned itself about the financial interests of the congregations involved but we have sought their spiritual welfare as well. This has been done by showing sympathy; at times, by offering counsel; but, above all by intercession at the throne in their behalf. Your Board is firmly persuaded that the maintenance of our congregations is most strategic. They that are strong must help to bear the burdens of the weak. Genuine cooperation on the part of all is indispensible to success. No where is this more apparent than in the work of Home Missions. All the congregations are members of the Body of Christ. No one member can say to another, 'I have nó need of thee.' All are members one of another and all are members of the body. Where one member fails to function, the whole body is weakened. Where every member does its proper work, the whole body prospers.

It is a lamentable fact that so many of our congregations are without pastors "to take the spiritual oversight of them in the Lord." On account of the fewness of their members and long continued weakness, some of these congregations have become quite discouraged. "God forbid that we should sin against the Lord, in ceasing to pray" for these our brethren, that the good Lord will give them a "reviving" and "refreshing from the Presence of the Lord." Let us also continue to pray that fit and devoted young men may be led of the Spirit to give themselves to the gospel ministry, that all our congregations may be furnished with spiritual leaders.

The Board is gratified at the earnest response of the church to the special appeals for prayer sent out during the

year. We believe, moreover, that there are many evidences that these prayers are being answered.

Efforts of the Board, as per Synod's directions at its last meeting, to list "persons willing to do local mission work, together with record of such recommendations as would prove their fitness," have so far proved unavailing.

The amount of money set apart from year to year by Synod for supplementing pastor's salaries is far from adequate. Many pastors are laboring on faithfully amidst financial straits, which constitute a great handicap to them in their work as well as an oft disturbed condition of mind. This is not only hard on the preacher and his family but is poor business from the standpoint of the best interests of the congregations themselves. Synod should at this meeting, give serious consideration to the matter of making available a larger sum of money for this cause.

Our treasurer's report shows that we began the year with a deficit in the Home Mission fund of $3415.78, receipts, $16,847.68. The disbursements during the year were $18,522.87. Balance overdrawn April 1, 1928, $5090.97. We request for this mission for the coming year $17,000.00.

Southern Mission.

The year at Selma has been unusually encouraging. Well up toward six hundred boys and girls in black have been in attendance at Knox Academy during the year. This is a capacity attendance. Enrollment in the higher grades was a little larger than last year, and in others a little lower, but on the whole is much the same. Favorable weather and good health have contributed toward regular attendance. During the summer, Prof. Bottoms and some of the boys of his department did considerable work about the buildings, which added greatly to their appearance. The walls and woodwork of the halls and chapel were redecorated, new treads were placed on the lower stairways; and the fire escapes, the Teachers' cottage and the roof of the girls' building were painted. The chief improvement made this year was the laying of the sidewalk fronting the Mission property on both sides of Jeff Davis Avenue, a length of 435 feet and six feet wide. The money to pay for this improvement came largely from the sale of second-hand clothing sent by the Ladies' Missionary Societies. A new fence along the side of the property on Union Street has been constructed. This latter piece of work, too, has been done under the supervision of Prof. Bottoms. He has the boys of the 6th grade and up under his training in the workshop and uses the more expert of them in making many repairs about the buildings and grounds.

An improvement most urgent at the present time is a more sanitary toilet arrangement. A plan for the accomplishment of this has been submitted to the Board, involving an expenditure of about $1000.00. One half of this money is already in sight and it is the earnest hope of the Board that the remainder will be forthcoming soon. This matter should be attended to at once.

The increased attendance in the higher grades during recent years, has greatly added to the work of Miss Fowler in the sewing and cooking departments. She is using some of the more capable and reliable girls to help take care of groups of girls in sewing and so has been able to give training to all from the 6th grade and up.

In the Home department the work has been carried on very efficiently under the direction of Mrs. Robb. As heretofore the Reading room has been kept open, and the boys and girls have shown a greatly increased interest in reading the books and magazines available. This taste for reading has been acquired gradually during the years the Library and Reading room have been open. Nearly $300 was expended this last year for books and magazines in this department. The Mothers' organization celebrated their eighth anniversary with a special meeting, at which a number of the mothers testified to the benefit that had come to their homes thru the activities in their behalf. Mrs. Robb writes, "There is nothing this race needs more than better homes, and we are gratified to know that at least some good has been accomplished along this line."

The work of this department also includes many visits to the homes, the reading of scripture, gospel talks, prayer, calls upon the "shut-in" and prayer services Sabbath afternoons.

Miss Jennie Ferguson, of Hopkinton, Iowa, joined Mrs. Robb and Mrs. Senegal in this work about the first of the year and has been laboring acceptably since. In pursuance of a purpose declared to the Board more than a year ago, Mrs. Robb has given up her work at Selma. We wish once more to place on record our high appreciation of her splendid service rendered thru quite a stretch of years. She will be greatly missed especially in many homes of the colored people of Selma.

Religious training has been carried on along the lines of former years. In all the grades the International Sabbath School Lesson is taught each week. In the four lower grades the children commit to memory Brown's Children's Catechism. In grades four to six the Westminster Shorter Catechism is memorized. In the higher grades a systematic study of the Bible is given. In all the grades passages from the Bible are memorized, from four to ten verses a week.

Evangelistic meetings were held in the school and in the Congregation November 14 to 24. These were conducted by Rev. J. M. Johnston and Mr. R. A. M. Steele. During these meetings the principles of Christian living were very clearly and forcefully set before the pupils. Since Mr. Johnston's arrival writes Prof. McIsaac, "He has quite frequently given taiks in Chapel, impressing upon the minds of the children the meaning of the passage read in the devotional service and applying its teaching to their lives. The lady teachers in the high school have given much attention to the moral and religious problems confronting the pupils. Increasing emphasis is being put upon the evangelistic features of the work.

At the time of the last meeting of Synod, Rev. Solomon Kingston resigned as pastor of the Selma congregation. He

had labored there for many years and the severance of his pastoral relation to the congregation was keenly felt by his friends. We commend him to the grace of God and to the care of the Heavenly Father. He has been recommended to the Board of Control for a share in the fund for Ministerial Relief.

Following Mr. Kingston's resignation, Dr. J. M. Coleman preached for the congregation for a month. Then Prof. McIsaac filled the pulpit for a while. The Board finally secured Rev. J. M. Johnston to labor at Selma. He was appointed Stated Supply to preach and to do the pastoral work in the congregation. Mr. Johnston began his work at Selma the first of the year. Prof. McIsaac says, "We greatly rejoice that Mr. Johnston has come to guide the work here. Both Mr. and Mrs. Johnston have entered heartily into the work. They are well liked by the people."

A conviction growing in the mind of the Board for some time is to the effect, that the work in the Congregation and in the Academy should be more closely allied under one head. The present time appears opportune for moving in this direction. Hence, the Board has appointed Mr. Johnston Superintendent of Knox Academy. With this new arrangement for the administration of affairs at the Mission, Prof. McIsaac is in hearty accord. Prof. McIsaac will continue as a teacher in the high school and will lend to the school work the full benefit of his years of experience as a school man both at Selma and elsewhere. The Board is gratified with this new plan for carrying on the work. With the Divine blessing, fruitful results are confidently expected.

The Congregation is apparently taking on new life, since Mr. Johnston has taken up the leadership among them. Increased giving, attendance and interest are manifest in all departments of the congregation.

In view of the constantly increasing expenditures in connection with the operation of this mission, and the lack of funds to meet the needs, the Board has found it necessary to make some readjustments in the work. Accordingly the Home Department has been reorganized, the Primary grade has been dropped, changes in the teaching force and some other changes have been made. Tuition rates have been slightly advanced. These changes are to become effective next school year. Your Board is hopeful that these readjustments will serve the end for which they have been made and at the same time not greatly cripple the work.

Our treasurer's report for this Mission shows that we began the year with a deficit of $3,083.04. Receipts $15,481.44. Disbursements $14,311.59. Deficit April 1, 1928, $1913.19.

We request for this fund for the ensuing year $12,000.

Indian Mission.

At the Indian Mission the work has been carried on during the year under the leadership of Rev. R. C. Adams. Mr. and Mrs. Adams and others there have labored faithfully in a situation which to human eyes seems most difficult and discouraging. Great faith and dauntless courage are necessary in those who

would labor on in the midst of so many disappointments. Many times the hopes of our workers concerning some venture for Christ with the Indians has been shattered and new efforts had to be made in other directions. Some of the Indian Christians have continued faithful, while they have seen others of their race turn aside from the way. All honor to such. We praise God for those who continue on. We think of those who once walked with us and have gone back. They are a burden on our hearts and our unceasing prayer is that they may return to the Father's House. Then to think of the great number of Red men who have never yet turned into the Jesus Way. Let us wrestle with Almighty God till the day break and the shadows flee away. May we not let Him go except He bless us with a great reviving and a mighty turning to Christ at Apache.

The services—preaching, Sabbath school, and prayer meeting—have been carried on regularly throughout the year. Many calls, in the houses of the Indians, too, have been made by Mr. and Mrs. Adams. The fall and spring communions were held at about the regular time. Rev. D. R. Taggart assisted at the fall communion and Rev. D. B. Martin at the spring communion. Both did very acceptable work and their presence and preaching was a great inspiration, under God, to our workers at the Mission, as well as to the Indians and Whites who attended the services. There are some evidences of a favorable change in the attitude of Big Ben, the Apache leader, who was so disaffected. There have been manifested through the year some other encouraging things, for example, the fine work done by Mr. Conday Martinez as Superintendent of the Sabbath school.

Mr. Adams in writing of the recent communion says, "We have just closed a very helpful Communion season. It had several encouraging features. Ten children of the church joined, six Indians and four Whites. The Indians were all Commanches." Two, one a Commanche and one Apache. who had wandered from the way were reinstated, after they had confessed their neglect of the ordinances and wrong-doing. Thirty-six communed, only one Apache. Several others would have been at the Communion table had they not been hindered by rain and other things. One Indian and his family drove more than fifty miles for the Communion meetings.

Many earnest appeals for prayer have come to the church from those in charge at the Mission, and your Board has reason to believe that many intercessions are ascending to the throne of grace in behalf of the Indians. Moreover, we are sure that these prayers will not go unanswered. Let us still hope in God, for we shall yet have cause to praise Him for His wondrous doings at Apache.

Our balance in the funds of this Mission at the beginning of the year was $2,178.83. Receipts $3,340.39. Expenditures $3,125.53. Balance on hand April 1, 1928—$2,393.69.

In view of the fact that the salary of the missionary is largely paid by the Ladies' Missionary Societies of the Pittsburg Presbytery, we make no financial request for this Mission. We recommend:

1. That Synod make special effort to enlarge the Home

Mission funds with a view to increasing minister's salaries.

2. In view of the special appeals based upon requests for prayer from the workers in the Southern and Indian missions and sent out to the congregations periodically by the Board, Synod urges upon the whole church the duty and privilege of making prayer unceasingly for "Power from on High" upon all our congregations and all our Home Mission fields.
3. That ministers be urged to make special and frequent statements from the pulpit concerning our Home Mission work as to what it is, its vital importance, the needs of this field, accompanied by earnest appeal for the whole-hearted support of this work.
4. That at the close of the discussion of the report of the committee on Home Missions Synod engage in special prayer for our Home Mission work.

The term for which J. C. Slater, D. H. Elliott, S. G. Conner, J. B. Willson and W. M. Doig were elected has expired and their successors should be chosen at this meeting of Synod. We recommend the election of Rev. J. G. Reed as a member of the Board in the place of Rev. W. M. Doig, who is no longer located so he can attend the meetings.

J. M. Johnston and R. J. McIsaac have been named by the Board to speak before Synod in behalf of the Southern Mission; R. C. Adams and D. B. Martin in behalf of the Indian Mission and in the behalf of Home Missions, E. L. McKnight.

REPORT OF THE JEWISH MISSION BOARD.

The Jewish Mission Board respectfully submits the following report:

We have held five regular meetings during the synodical year. Our missionaries, Miss Annie Forsyth and Miss Elizabeth Forsyth have greatly appreciated the intercession of the groups of praying friends throughout the church on behalf of the Jewish Mission. We cannot help but feel the added strength which God alone can give when we call upon Him in prayer. There has undoubtedly been a greater responsiveness which leads us to hope for better things and go forward in God's truth. "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth, to the Jew first and also to the Greek."

One of our inquirers has been given the courage recently, in spite of bitter persecution by relatives, to make an open confession of his faith in Christ. He testified in Mr. Burgen's Reading room that he made his decision at "Fifth and Catherine" (as our Mission is called), and it was there that he experienced the peace of Christ in his heart. He asks for the prayers of God's people, that he may be enabled to withstand further persecution, and be used to bring his family and friends into the Truth.

The Friday evening meetings—for adults and children—have been well attended. Dr. S. E. Greer and Rev. F. L.

Stewart have been giving gospel messages once a month, and the representatives from the Young People's Societies have been very helpful.

The Sabbath school attendance has been good, and we make special mention of Dr. R. W. Duncan, Mrs. J. C. Graham and Miss Sarah Archer, our faithful and efficient helpers.

The Sewing class has been larger this year than ever. Miss Mattie J. Henry, Miss Agnes Hogan and Mrs. Arthur Danenhour gave splendid assistance in this part of the work.

The Annual Sabbath school entertainment was held Dec. 29, 1927 with a record-breaking attendance. The heart of the entertainment is the reciting of portions of Scripture and Psalms by the children, in which they excel.

A Jewish Society has sought to oppose our work by threatening the members of the Mothers' meeting. Our women have stood out boldly for Christ and said, "We will go to the Mission, for we get only good there." The women are greatly exercised, but attend the meetings faithfully.

Never has the Mission had so many appeals for help as this past winter. Many men have been out of work in this community and thus we find many in need. What a wonderful help has been rendered by our Women's Missionary Societies and our Young Ladies' Missionary Societies in sending cut-out garments for our Sewing Class to help to care for the needy. Also the generous gifts during the holiday season from our young people, juniors and individuals, made many hearts and homes glad which otherwise would have had no season's cheer or joy.

The Russian Christians who used our assembly room for Saturday evening Gospel meetings, decided last July to meet in another section of the city, in the hope of reaching more foreigners. Their expectations failed. In February they asked the privilege of again holding meetings in the Mission, which was granted, and they are now rejoicing in increased interest and encouraging attendance. The other week a young Jewish woman came in while the meeting was being held. She listened intently in the adjoining room, and interpreted the message given from the Old Testament. She said, "The man speaks good; we shall all soon be thinking the same way. Jesus was one of our own people——He belongs to us." She would not answer when asked if she belonged to Jesus by believing in Him as her Savior. She expressed a desire to come often but was only a visitor in the city. She accepted a copy of the Gospel of Matthew, and some tracts. She gave her name, but not her address. This is only one instance of the many nameless inquirers and callers all of whom we pray for that the Holy Spirit will lead them into a saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Recently a young Jew came in to the Friday evening meeting because he said that he was attracted by the beautiful singing and would come again.

By the Tract Mailing Ministry, we have sent out more than 2600 copies of the Shepherd of Israel this year. It is a Hebrew Christian magazine supplied to us free by the editor, Rev. Leopold Cohn. We mail 50 copies each week in response to

which we have had some very resentful replies. One threatened to report us to the Postal Authorities, and another to give a beating to the man who would dare send another paper to his place of business. The Hebrew Press now and again warns the Hebrew people not to read the Hebrew Christian magazine. How true is the saying, "When the Holy Spirit convicts of sin, people are either converted, or else they don't like it and get angry."

The Missionaries have regularly visited the various homes in the community. They made about one thousand visits this year.

There have been distributed this year Bibles, copies of the Old Testament, New Testament, 200 Gospels in Hebrew, Yiddish, Lithuanian, German, Russian and English; also a large number of Yiddish and English tracts.

Our Girls' Patriotic Club, the Loyal Temperance Legion, and the Junior Lincoln Boys' Club (a new organization) have met regularly during the past year.

Our two missionaries Miss Annie Forsyth and Miss Elizabeth Forsyth have rendered a most faithful and sacrificing service. The Board appreciates their splendid fidelity and loyalty to this Jewish Mission work.

The Board asks the Synod this year for an appropriation of $3000. S. E. Greer was appointed delegate to represent the Jewish Mission Board before the Co-ordinating Committee. The Secretary was appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

The terms of S. E. Greer, Mrs. Jos. M. Steele, Ellsworth Jackson, Miss Sarah Archer, and F. L. Stewart expire with this meeting of Synod and their successors should be appointed.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK L. STEWART, Secretary.

The report of the Committee on National Reform was read by M. S. McMillan, and considered item by item. R. H. Martin, President of the Association, addressed the Court in its behalf. The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF NATIONAL REFORM COMMITTEE.

The only paper referred to your Committee was the report of the Covenanter members of the Board of Directors of the National Reform Association.

Since the report of the past year's work is that "the usual lines of work have been pursued in the usual ways, and with the usual results," and since the Association's usual lines of work, usual ways and usual results have before been approved and commended by Synod, we enter into no extended consideration of that part of the report.

That of immediate interest is the proposed new and enlarged program. The several items in the new program are:

First, A radical change in the form and make up of the Christian Statesman. We approve the change for the reasons

given which are: first, the present need for brief and pointed presentation in a concrete and practical way in order to claim the attention of a public that is now surfeited with reading matter. And second, that a more effective and economical use may be made of the funds placed at the disposal of the Association.

Second, The establishment of Research and Service Bureaus under expert management.

We also approve the establishment of such bureaus, under such management, for the reasons given which are, first, that the Association may establish a reputation for the accuracy of the data which it puts out, And, second, that ways may be devised for getting that accurate data before the public through various publications and community institutions and organizations.

We also approve the new move of the Association to build up a contributing constituency by the use of the mails.

A question that may be raised in connection with proposed change in the program of the Association is: Will the principal purpose of the Association continue to be the presentation of the claims of Christ on Civil Government? The report answers that question in the following words: There is "no thought or purpose whatsoever of changing the policy of the journal as it relates to the presentation of the great fundamental principle or principles for which the Association stands and has ever stood, save to present them the more effectively." Also, "Principles are eternal and cannot change, while methods not only may but must change with changed conditions."

We are gratified that the splendid ability of R. H. Martin, D. D., has been brought into close relation to the Covenanter Church by his enlistment as President of the Association and editor-in-chief of the "Christian Statesman."

We recommend:

I. That Synod approve the employment of R. H. Martin in the conduct of the work of this Association.

II. That the sum of $10,000.00, the same amount as asked for last year, be named as a guide for the giving of our people the coming year for the prosecution of the work of the Association. And that the collection be taken in November.

III. That a committee or individual be appointed in our congregations to take subscriptions for the "Christian Statesman."

IV. That our congregations cooperate with the Association, in an effort to arrange for reform conferences in their communities.

Respectfully submitted,
M. S. McMILLAN,
M. R. JAMESON,
J. M. FOSTER,
W. S. WILSON,
W. W. WEIR.

REPORT OF THE COVENANTER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

Unless we very much mistake, what Synod wants to know at this time of the National Reform Association, is what it has been endeavoring to do this past year and what it proposes to do for the year to come.

As for the former, two things may be said. First, the usual lines of work pursued by the Association from year to year, in the usual ways, and with the usual results—with all of which the members of Synod are more or less familiar—have been for the past year pursued with unabating interest. Second, as the result of much careful and thoughtful deliberation on the part of the Board of Directors and finally by a hearty vote of the overwhelming majority of the Board, the program of the Association for the coming year was not only greatly enlarged from that of the past year, but also a somewhat radical change effected in the same, particularly with respect to its official organ, the Christian Statesman. It is well known to many at least of the members of Synod that for years there has been a growing conviction on the part of not a few members of the Board of Directors that in view of the great multiplicity of reading matter that today comes to the reading public, and the consequent ever increasing necessity for brief and pointed presentation in a concrete and practical way of that which is to claim their attention, the time had come to cease the expenditure of so much money as for years has been expended on the publication of the Christian Statesman, in the size and form it has been published, and henceforth to issue it at much less expense in its present form and make-up. It should be distinctly understood that this change has been effected solely for practical and economical reasons, and with no thought or purpose whatsoever of changing the policy of the journal as it relates to the presentation of the great fundamental principle or principles for which the Association stands and has ever stood, save to present them the more effectively. In other words, principles are eternal and cannot change, while methods not only may but must change with changed conditions in the presentation of these principles if they are to be effectively set forth.

As for the program of the Association for the ensuing year, in addition to the prosecution of such work as has been conducted the past year, it has been enlarged by the establishment of Research and Service Bureaus and the employment of one of national name and fame who, under the supervision of the recently elected president of the Association and editor-in-chief of the Christian Statesman, R. H. Martin, is to write, speak and do publicity work for the same.

Statistics are weapons of power, for good or for evil—if authentic and rightly used, for good; but if unauthentic or wrongly used, for evil. One of the great defects in much of the present-day reform work, to say nothing of other work for moral and religious uplift, is the want of authentic statistical

data, properly interpreted. To remedy this defect in reform work and issue literature in various forms and quantities containing data that will stand the test of authenticity, and thus gain for the Association the reputation of a reliable authority on statistics having to do with great moral reforms, this Research bureau has been established and statistics are now being gathered and systematically tabulated by those in charge of the same. As time goes on these will appear in the Christian Statesman and in leaflets, brochures, booklets and books especially prepared for use by young people, foreign speaking peoples, theological students, clergymen, state and national legislators and those interested specially in the work of Christian reform. Particularly is it the purpose of the Association to reach the youth of America, and especially the Christian youth, with appropriate literature on those great problems and principles involved in the establishment of a national Christian citizenship. Humanly speaking, the hope of America lies with her Christian youth rather than with those Christians more advanced in years.

The object of the newly established Service Bureau is to furnish lecture courses at actual cost to the Association to schools, parent-teachers associations, churches, Kiwanis, Rotary and other community institutions and organizations and eventually to give informational material to those who desire data in the preparation of addresses or articles having to do with the questions upon which the National Reform Association is an authority, and to promote the making of surveys of problems and the setting up of programs to meet these problems. Prof. J. H. Dickason, formerly of Wooster College, but for the past ten or more years of the Moral Welfare Board of the Presbyterian Church, who is in charge of this bureau, has already given a number of these courses and arranged for many more during the year to come.

Because the work of the Association is national in character and has for its ultimate object the Christianization of the nation, as such, the preponderant majority at least of the country's citizenship must be brought to the place where they will be willing to declare their Christian convictions in such manner and form as will place the nation not only morally but also legally on the side of Christ and His law—because of this apparently evident fact, those in charge of the work of the Association have come to the conviction that if its work is to be effectively done it must obtain more publicity in the daily and weekly press. In other words, the Association has been long on Christian citizenship principles and even literature but short on getting them to the attention of the American public. Hence its recent employment of Dr. Charles Z. Stelzle of New York, one skilled in the matter of publicity to devote a portion of his time to the promulgation of its work as a matter of news in the daily and weekly press, in the hope that the people of the country at large may have their attention brought to that work much more rapidly than in the past. In this way millions can be reached where without such publicity only a few thousand at most can be reached.

In order to carry out this enlarged program it is manifest

that increased funds are necessary. Furthermore, with the changes that of late have taken place in church budgeting, it is just as manifest to those cognizant with the situation that organizations such as the National Reform Association must resort to other than the holding of public meetings to obtain these funds. Hence the new move of the Association to build up a contributing constituency by the use of the mails. A list of 11,000 people are now being thus periodically solicited from the National Reform office with specially prepared literature of an illustrated and somewhat dramatic character. Time alone will of course tell the result of this enlarged effort, with its new features.

We recommend:

1. That this Synod approve the employment of R. H. Martin in the conduct of the work of this Association.

2. That the sum of $10,000, the same amount as asked for last year, be named as a guide for the giving of our people the coming year for the prosecution of the work of the Association.

Respectfully submitted, in behalf of the eleven Covenanter members of the Board of Directors of the National Reform Association.

Signed,
JAMES S. MARTIN.

FINANCIAL REPORT NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

Cash statement for year ending October 31, 1927.

Receipts

Cash on hand Nov. 1, 1926			$ 1,332.20
Current Receipts		$48,986.24	
Interest daily balances	$ 45.94		
Dividends on stock	2,338.00	2,383.94	
Life Memberships	100.00		
Special contributions	1,688.00	1,788.00	
W. A. Brown Bequest	553.60		
Wm. McCoy Endowment	1,000.00	1,553.60	
Dr. Ellis Book	105.47		
Dr. McAllister Manual	1,166.80	1,272.27	55,984.05
			$57,316.25

Disbursements

Current Expenses		$51,654.48	
Fire insurance	$ 50.05		
Interest on Loans	397.83		
Loans repaid	2,000.00	2,447.88	
Winona Acct. to current	500.00		
Sundry acct.	529.30	1,029.30	

Dr. Ellis Book	575.00		
Dr. McAllister Manual	1,243.85	1,818.85	56,950.51
Cash on hand Oct. 31, 1927			365.74
			$57,316.25

Audited by:—
J. F. MARTHENS, JR.,
Public Accountant.

T. M. Slater submitted the report on The Signs of the Times, which was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT ON SIGNS OF THE TIMES

One of the symptoms of any age is the way the Christians of that time observe their own appointed days of Thanksgiving and Fasting.

Modernized Thanksgivings

No one familiar with our national history will deny that a great change has come over the American people in their estimate of the significance of Thanksgiving Day. As originally observed it was a day of worship. The men and women who first inaugurated it lived near to God, had a deep sense of their dependence on Him, and a grateful recognition of His care. Accordingly the day was set apart from common days in a way worthy of its high purpose. Its hours were full of grateful devotion. Its social festivities were beautifully blended with piety, so that the tone of the day was almost Sabbath-like in its quiet rest and holy activities. In contrast with this the day is now almost wholly secular—with a minimum of religion. For the most part it is given over to feasting and pleasure-seeking. As the climax-day of all athletic sports it has, for the great majority of our citizens, no more religious significance than any other holiday. This is the atmosphere in which we are living, in which our children are growing up, and by which we are all being influenced to some extent. In some places the attendance of people at the Thanksgiving services of their own congregations is secured only by arranging these at such hours as will not conflict with the local football game. The sparcely attended union-services in every community is a sorry witness to how much God's children are worshipping Him in His own House on this day.

Neglected Fast Days

Equally significant is the attitude of the present generation toward the appointed days of Fasting. Time was when these figured vitally in the religious life of America. In the Colonial days, public Fasts were observed again and again with great blessing. During the dark days of the Civil War, Mr. Lincoln with the concurrence of Congress called this nation to a day of solemn Fasting and prayer; and at a time when the cause of the Union was growing more and more desperate, no one but the skeptical ever flouted the President's faith, or discounted the reality of the deliverance which followed. For

many generations no Covenanter communion was ever observed without the preparation of a Fast Day. At present the mind of both Ministers and congregations seems to have changed as to the importance of any such preparation. Ever since the first appointment of a Committee on Signs of the Times, one of the recommendations adopted annually has been the appointment of a Fast Day. Concerning the observance of this the mind of the Church seems to have changed. True, these recommendations are still being made, but only in rare cases is the day being observed in anything like the true spirit of that institution. In some congregations it is given no recognition whatever. Formerly in the Reports of the Presbyteries to this Synod, certification was made each year that the Days of Thanksgiving and Fasting had been observed in all congregations. Of late no such reference is being made, and none seems to be expected. In only one State of our Union is there legal provision for the observance of Public Fasts. Within the past twenty-five years is the recollection of one of our most worthy and able Ministers making to this Court the serious proposal that the appointment of any such days by Synod be discontinued.

The Issues Involved

It is from the viewpoint of how we are observing our days of Thanksgiving and Fasting that we wish to discuss our own times. There are a thousand other aspects of public life more pleasant to consider, and perhaps more welcome in discussion. But these have their own significance. And as they indicate a situation wholly at variance with our own sworn testimony (Test. XXVI,2); as it is assumed that a recommendation for our observance of other Thanksgiving and Fast days will accompany this Report; and as the things for which such days stand have a vital relation to the life of all moral beings, your Committee feels justified in giving particular attention to this subject.

For as we understand it, Thanksgiving is intended to be an expression of gratitude, and Fasting of godly sorrow—thankfulness for what we are receiving from God, and repentance for what He is not receiving from us. These twin-institutions are exponents of correlative duties and graces, and broadly speaking they represent the two great hemispheres of that full orb of right feeling which we all owe to our Gracious God, both as individuals, churches, and nations. This we owe to Him everywhere and evermore, and in no half-hearted way. If at any time or place these feelings toward God are lacking, we have practical heathenism. Of course it is not expected that our Thanksgiving and Fast days shall correspond in every particular with those of the Pilgrims and early Covenanters, for outward circumstances change. But as divinely appointed institutions they should live always and be animated by the same spirit in all ages. And if in our day the passing of these time-honored institutions marks the passing of those things for which each stood, how else can our age be known in history than America's transition period from godliness to godlessness, from faith to secularism?

As this modern attitude toward our traditional observance of Thanksgiving and Fast Days did not come suddenly or fortuitously, but had back of it causes whose outworking was natural and inevitable, it should be profitable to consider some of these. Of the many that might be named we mention only three.

The Breakdown of Faith

First, we notice the weakening in America of Christian faith and the alarming growth of infidelity. This does not minimize the very great and real evidences of the power of Christianity among us, but its relative power. The sacred festival at Plymouth in 1621 represented the united sentiment of the whole community. The Pilgrims were one in faith and conviction. But the growth of Christian sentiment did not keep pace with the growth of the population of the country. After that generation came people of another type, and they have continued coming until the past century or so has witnessed the accumulation of forces which threaten the paganizing of America. With less than one third of our citizens owning relation to any branch of the Christian Church, and the growth of almost every form of false religion, what sympathy have such elements with the institutions of Colonial times? The infidel portion of our nation bitterly opposes all distinctively Christian features of our civilization.

Then within the past few years infidelity has established its stronghold in the churches. With ministers in the pulpits of almost all of the larger denominations preaching unbelief concerning the fundamental doctrines of Christianity, even denying the Lord who bought them; with Seminary after Seminary going over to these heresies, and sending out preachers every year imbued with false teachings, what chance is there for the American people to be brought into saving relations with Him, whom to know fills us with uplifting gratitude and most lowly self-abasement. Formerly it was those outside of the Church whose opposition we most feared; but now it is professing Christians, Ministers, Professors in our higher institutions, like Dr. Leuba of Bryn Mawr, who has said: "The Thanksgiving Proclamations of the President should be discontinued. From an expression of genuine belief, this custom has become an objectionable tradition, which as soon as it is abandoned, the better for those who keep it up and for those to whom it is addressed."

Evidently the problem of securing the permanence, as well as the right observance, of these institutions, either in the country at large or by our own membership, has at its heart the more fundamental problem of getting people saved. Those who have for themselves received from God an infinite salvation, too priceless to be bought; who have accepted forgiveness and blessedness as an outright gift, will be filled with a divine enthusiasm which can express itself in no other way than in words and deeds of gratitude. It was people of this kind who first inaugurated Thanksgiving Day, and who were equally willing to observe Fast Days. Only those of like mind can be relied upon to keep up the observance of either in any consistent way.

Ideals of a New Age

A second reason for this changed mind toward these institutions may be seen in the new influences of a highly prosperous and scientific age. The outward circumstances of those who led us in these observances were pathetically limited, but how rich they were in their appreciation of their Heavenly Father's bounties. They recognized His open hand providing everything, and rejoiced in His loving care. As has been truly said of them, "The articles of their daily food were each one the gift of God for which thanksgiving was prompt. Many times in the history of those days the gift of Indian corn was gratefully acknowledged. It was a new succulent for them, of ready and abundant growth, and it often saved them from starvation. The pious chronicler of the early days of Concord writes, 'The Lord is pleased to provide a great store of fish this spring-time.' And again he records, 'Let no man make a jest of pumpkins; for with this fruit, the Lord is pleased to feed His people till their corn and cattle were increased.' The Israelites in the wilderness, dependent upon God for their daily food, did not more fully and gratefully feel this dependence than did they. If they needed rain, they prayed for it, and did not fail to thank Him when it came. Equally prayerful were they about their chastenings and trials. A dry summer, a short crop, unseasonable weather, or any public disaster, were part of God's dealings. Especially did they feel in the withholding of any spiritual blessing, a warning to seek God more earnestly. About all such things there were great searchings of heart, as they sought Him with repentance, prayer and fasting.

Is there any relation between America's increased prosperity and our decreased spirituality? As a nation we are now enormously wealthy, having increased material resources of all kinds; and, like many another "Newly-rich," we shew our vulgarity, not only toward our less fortunate neighbors, but in the face of God. We know it is a poor compliment to human nature to say that gratitude and humility thrive best in poverty, and that we have not been able to bear the test of prosperity. The great scientific and intellectual advancement of our times, the discovery and utilization of great natural forces, and as well the marvellous achievements of men, have brought the temptation to rely on these natural agencies more than on the God who is over all. Here, as in pagan lands, men are worshipping the creature more than the Creator. Science is trusted to do everything. With the knowledge of how to eradicate diseases once thought incurable; with modern business efficiency, our scientific advancement, our facilities for travel by land, sea, and air; and the really triumphant victories of those whose deeds thrill the whole world—the tendency of all is to foster human pride. Desiring peace, we either rely upon the efficiency of our fighting forces, or talk of "Outlawing war" as a mere matter of human detail. Our uniform success in so many of the minor things has made us forgetful of what we most lack.

A generation ago it was a much-discussed topic in some communities along the Ohio River whether or not the American people would know how to observe a Fast Day if called thereto.

The answer was given a little later when the Yellow Fever broke out a little farther up stream; for hearing of the ravages of this plague in other places, and knowing themselves in the direct line of its approach as it moved nearer and nearer, they found no difficulty in seeking deliverance in this solemn way. So in our own times a false sense of security has lulled us into a neglect of Fast Days. Even during this past year our country has been chastened by torrential rains and devastating floods in the East, by the ruin of bursting reservoirs in the West, by the overflowing of the Mississippi in the Center, and by fire, frost, and drought in various places. Our mine disasters, our submarine losses, and the appalling sacrifice of life on land, on sea, and in the air, are matters of daily report. It is thought old-fashioned to classify these among the Providential dealings of God, or look beyond their natural causes. Should we not rather hear in them a call to repentance? God is calling the earth to judgment, and America's bloody record of 12,000 murders annually, our nation-wide desecration of the Sabbath, the perversion of justice in our Courts, the cruelties of class and race hatreds, the unfairness of some of our immigration laws, the determination of certain classes to nullify the Eighteenth Amendment, the adulterous record of our divorce courts, the heart-breaking situation in so many homes, and the inexcusable iniquity of our enlarged war program—these are only a few of the ways in which our nation is surely heaping up to itself wrath against the day of wrath, and concerning which only a false sense of security has made us skeptical of the benefits which a Day of Fasting might secure.

Nor should we feel that the general omission of Fast Days preceding our Communion services is justified by our deliverance from the need of such preparation. No changed circumstances can ever put us beyond the need of things which this service may bring. Our present course calls for heart-searching if this change has come through a gradual growth of self-righteousness and of superiority to methods which God still requires. Whatever our advancement, we have no ground for self-security. May not this problem of our Fast Days lie close to the heart of all problems afflicting us as a Church, and in a universal return to their observance lie the path to the favor we so much desire?

Defects of our Fundamental Law

The last reason here cited for America's changed attitude toward these sacred institutions is the secular character of our Federal Constitution. Some one has said that if violence is done to the very least doctrine of the body of truth, it is sure to avenge itself on the whole system. This is because truth is a unity. And if this law holds with reference to the least member of this unity, how much more certainly will the revenge come when the violence concerns some great central doctrine like the Headship of Jesus Christ over Nations. This is where our Federal Constitution is defective and where the violence has been done— the violence of a silent conspiracy to leave Christ out of our national affairs. And how is this being

avenged? By the giving over of our whole national life to secularism. Our courts and schools are largely secular, and even such holy ordinances as the Sabbath and Marriage are becoming more and more secular.

Can we doubt that the secularism of our National Constitution has had its part in effecting the ideals now dominant concerning the observance of Thanksgiving and Fast Days? In this we have a demonstration of the real evolution of evil. The absence here of all Christian acknowledgments is the ground upon which opposition is being made to the appointment of any such things. Probably this argument will never prevail for the abandonment of Thanksgiving, for as a legal holiday and harvest-home festival it will always be popular with the world; but what does the form amount to when the spirit is dead? As before said, these are both religious ordinances, intended to express some of the very deepest spiritual sentiments of which we are capable. The stark secularism of the Constitution is like a killing frost that blasts the most delicate flowers first; and in the havoc it has wrought with these institutions, is given an example of what it will do still farther if the full winter of unbelief should come.

Against the adoption of such a Constitution, we as a Church have sworn our dissent. Of this the natural corollary is non-conformity with all aspects of national secularism—including those which afflict our Thanksgiving and Fast Days. Consistency demands as much, but there is still a deeper reason. Here alone is the true antidote for these conditions. As this rejection of Christ has been our Political Fall, and this defect in our Fundamental Law our Original Sin as a Nation; as the adoption of our secular Constitution was the great act of disobedience whereby we lost the hope of a political Paradise, making ourselves exiles from God and subjects of Satan; we now suffer a form of demon-possession, disbelieved in by the world, but from which nothing short of prayer and fasting will ever save us.

It is the repeated verdict of history that whenever God works any great reformation, He does it first by His Holy Spirit in the Hearts of His own people, and then by public judgments upon the rest of mankind. So, while the wicked are preparing the scourges wherewith they must some day be whipped into line with God's purposes, His own redeemed children have another calling. The political conversion of America awaits the leadership of those who have learned the power of detachment from worldliness, and are willing to begin our return from exile with all that is signified by fasting. The Bridegroom is being kept from returning to us with the blessings promised to obedient nations for reasons over which the Children of the Bridechamber should mourn. As a Church we have little ground to expect success for the Christian Amendment or any other of our great objectives until we are right with God in our observance of both Thanksgiving and Fast Days, shewing true gratitude for all we are receiving from Him, and true sorrow for all He is not receiving from us.

Recommendations

We recommend:

1. That the annual Day of Thanksgiving named by the President and the usual day in Canada be recommended to our people for their dutiful observance, and that Thursday of the Week of Prayer be appointed as a Day of Fasting concerning personal and public sins.

2. That before the recurrence of these days all pastors be enjoined to instruct the people by preaching on the subjects herein discussed, and seek to lead their congregations in a more acceptable observance of these occasions. Also that preceding each communion, our pastors and sessions be urged to have their congregations avail themselves, as far as possible, of the benefit of Fast Day preparatory services.

3. That in their Reports to Synod, Presbyteries shall hereafter indicate their acquaintance concerning the faithfulness with which these Days are being observed in the congregations under their care, and take proper notice of any delinquency.

4. That Synod renew our petition to the President that in his Thanksgiving Proclamation he make suitable mention of the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Nation's rightful King, and the gracious Provider of all good.

Respectfully submitted,
T. M. SLATER,
E. L. McKNIGHT,
D. H. ELLIOTT,
J. P. BAIRD.

Synod took recess until 7:30, Elder A. H. Mearns leading in prayer.

MONDAY EVENING, JUNE 11, 1928

Synod reconvened at the appointed hour, was called to order by the Moderator, sang part of Psalm 98, and was led in prayer by R. W. Redpath. The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

The Clerk called the roll of those who have been members of Synod for fifty years or more. The name of J. W. Dill is added to this list this year. The Moderator and Clerk were directed to send a night letter of greeting and sympathy to Isaiah Faris, who has been a member of the Court for fifty-seven years, and has never before missed a meeting of Synod. The officers were also directed to send a letter of sympathy to R. C. Wylie, a member for fifty-three years and prevented from attendance by sickness. William McFarland, the oldest minister present, was called to the platform and briefly addressed the Synod.

The four ministers who have been ordained during the

year, Roy C. Fullerton, of New Alexandria, Pennsylvania, M. Wylie Dougherty, of La Junta, Colorado, Remo I. Robb, of Rehoboth and Washington, Iowa, and R. H. McKelvey, of Lochiel, Canada, were presented to the Court. The elders who are attending Synod for the first time were also called to the front and presented to Synod.

The Clerks of Presbyteries were directed to introduce to the Court at the opening of each Synod those who have been ordained to the ministry during the year.

A paper presented by J. C. McFeeters was adopted by Synod, and is as follows:

ARE WE APPROACHING A WORLD CRISIS?

World conditions are fraught with indefinable dangers. Forces are gathering and operating, capable of precipitating a catastrophe frightful beyond comprehension. The trend of events awaken much serious thought. Yet all the movements and their outcome are under the controlling power of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus rules the world from the throne of mercy. The finality of conflicts and commotions on earth will be peace and righteousness. His people hear His voice above the roar of storms, saying, "Be not afraid."

The world war was the Lord's protest against the nations as they persisted in rebellion against His authority. They virtually said, even in the light of the Gospel, "We will not have this man to reign over us." He answered them "in the secret place of thunder." His voice shook the earth. The world was drenched with blood and tears. A wail of despair, arising from crushed humanity, pierced the heavens, and God relented.

Jesus is very pitiful and gracious. The cry touched His heart; He called a truce; gave time to consider His terms of peace. Since then almost ten years have elapsed. In the mean time the nations have formed councils, courts, and leagues; they have held conferences and consultations; yet not once have they deigned to consult Him as the world's Supreme Ruler, nor to consider His offers of peace.

What can the nations expect of Jesus, but that He will resume hostilities? Indications that the battle may be renewed at an early day are not lacking.

Wars and rumors of wars are always alarming. International strife is ever to be deplored. But that which is most to be dreaded is the Lord's controversy with the nations.

The last great war with all its horrors is not worthy of comparison with that which may follow. The first was God's argument for reformation and righteousness. The next will be the argument repeated with sevenfold emphasis. This is the Lord's method. When HE determines to reach an objective, He gets there however great the sacrifice.

Listen to His voice, "If ye will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary to me; then will I also walk contrary to you, and will punish you yet seven times."

Can further hostilities between Jesus and the nations be prevented? This is morally possible. Let the nations repent and reform, and the Lord will relent and spare. He told Nineveh her doom was only forty days distant. Nineveh repented, and the doom was averted.

The only hope for the nations is in their submission to King Jesus. His presence, powers, and royal claims, must be impressed upon the public conscience, and that deeply and quickly, in order to prevent a universal catastrophe which may arise at any moment. Jesus has said that as a snare it shall come upon the whole world.

Therefore resolved that:

I. Observing the indications of the Lord's displeasure with the nations, and knowing that their persistent disloyalty may suddenly provoke a conflict with Him, that will overwhelm the world with disaster, we will do our utmost to impress the public mind with the danger of His wrath if it begin once more to burn.

II. We will use our influence to the utmost with other churches to co-operate in pressing the fact upon the nation that there can be no permanent peace among the world powers till they become reconciled and loyal to the Lord Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read by M. K. Carson, and taken up item by item. Dr. Calvin McCarroll spoke of the medical work in Cyprus. W. W. Weir spoke of the educational work in the Levant. Dr. E. J. M. Dickson gave an illustrated address on the work in China. After prayer by J. M. Coleman, G. M. Robb and W. G. Robb, the report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee would respectfully report:

One paper, the report of the Foreign Mission Board, was referred to this committee. Besides this, the committee had access to the field reports from Latakia, Cyprus and China.

We join with the Board of Foreign Missions in sorrow for the death of John W. F. Carlisle.

We thank God for His preserving care and gracious love to our missionaries in all their peculiar trials and difficulties through the past year. The Lord has preserved the going out and the coming in of all our beloved workers. One worker reported, "only eternity will reveal all the dangers averted and victories won because of the faithfulness of our God, and of those 'undergirding the work with prayer' as initiated this last year." We have great reason to thank God for the "corps of workers, willing, devoted and self-sacrificing" and for the way our work is being supported both at home and by the native Christians in prayer and by financial gifts. We also desire to

commend the members of the Board for their faithful and untiring service.

Cyprus

The work in this field has been making marked advancement. Our new workers in this field are Miss Patton and Mr. Redpath. The progress toward self-support is very commendable. Nothing has been drawn from the Mission treasury for the Girls' school except "the salaries of the American teachers." The Boys' school is also working toward this ideal. The workers think it is possible for the Academy to be self-supporting very soon. The congregations are paying a share of the salaries of the native pastors with the prospect that a greater amount of the salary of the native pastors will be paid next year by the members of the congregations.

Syria

We rejoice that the work is being vigorously prosecuted by our ever faithful members and that the Moslem door is opening wider and wider. It is encouraging to know that so many children and young people are being reached in the village schools with Bible instruction. We are grateful to God that He has put it in the hearts of new laborers, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hutcheson and Miss Rose Huston, to join those already on the field.

The increasing evangelistic activities, the great amount of medical work done, the healthy condition of our schools, the distribution of so many Bibles and pieces of Christian literature and the flourishing condition of our work in these fields are very gratifying.

China

This field reports an unusual year in Mission work, even though the missionaries were off the field nearly half the year, due to the trying conditions there. It might be said here that they were off the field because of the orders from the United States Consular authorities. "Not since 1911 have conditions existed to cause such an evacuation of the Mission Force. However with the exception of a few days in April there has not been a time when the field was without some missionary." Such courage and devotion are worthy of our highest commendation. Our workers made these times of interruption seasons of great profit. "The enforced withdrawal afforded precious time for intercession, Bible study, Bible teaching" and correspondence.

The work of preparing the young men for Christian service has been carried on through the year. Mr. Robb says, "The young men have acquitted themselves well, and give promise of being useful workers." Bible classes, Bible conferences, training of Christian workers and the movement toward self-support are the encouraging features from this field.

Recommendations:

I. That we express our gratitude to God for His gracious, loving and Fatherly care over our workers during the past year.

II. That we continue to 'undergird the work in prayer' and urge all our congregations through the pastor or some representative to keep in touch with the secretaries of the different prayer groups.

III. That the Mission Study books recommended in the body of the report be commended to our people for study this year.

IV. That the Moderator write a letter to Miss French in Mersine, expressing our sympathy on account of her recent bereavement, commending her for her noble courage in a very lonely situation and assuring her of our support in her labor for Christ.

V. That Walter McCarroll, S. E. Greer, F. L. Stewart, Joseph M. Steele and W. J. Beatty, whose term expires, be elected to succeed themselves as members of the Board and that William Park, W. H. Linson and Dr. Ralph W. Duncan be added to the Board.

VI. That the Board of Foreign Missions be asked to consider the advisability of placing all its work on the self-supporting basis such as is being attempted in China at the present time.

VII. That new fields be opened up with the surplus as soon as the workers are available.

VIII. That the Missionaries present be presented to the court by the Corresponding Secretary, and that Dr. Calvin McCarroll be heard for fifteen minutes in behalf of the medical work, and that W. W. Weir be heard for fifteen minutes in behalf of the educational work, Dr. E. J. M. Dickson be heard for thirty minutes about our work in China, and that the Corresponding Secretary be heard in behalf of the Board.

IX. That Synod engage now in a prayer of Thanksgiving, under the direction of the Moderator, for His goodness to our workers and for the amount of work done.

Signed: M. K. CARSON,
REMO I. ROBB,
D. CALDERWOOD,
M. S. HUTCHESON,
J. T. FINLEY.

REPORT OF BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS TO THE SYNOD OF 1928

With gratitude to God the Board presents its report for another year. On our tardy efforts in this vast and vital field of Christian service the Lord Jesus has looked with favor. On every field abroad and on the Church at home He has caused His face to shine. We pause at the outset to note the passing of one of our members into the life beyond, John W. F. Carlisle, minister for forty-one years in the church at Newburgh, and many years a member of this Board. We pay our tribute to his Christian character, his scholarship and the helpfulness of his counsel. He passed into life eternal April 5, 1928.

By reason of unsettled conditions in the intellectual, the

spiritual, and the political world, the year has been one of testing in the foreign work of all churches. Yet the Lord Jesus has furnished our work abroad with a corps of willing workers, willing, devoted and self-sacrificing, and in a wonderful way the means for their support. God still shows Himself strong on behalf of a Church that believingly and obediently faces the responsibilities of His world purpose.

We have printed in OLIVE TREES the field reports and wish to submit them herewith for the information and consideration of Synod. We call particular attention to these reports for their account of the activities and achievements of the year's work, and for the inspiration they bring to our hearts.

Asia Minor

We have no formal report from Miss French in Asia Minor, but are able to state that her work has been continued along the lines followed in former years, and with a good measure of success. A sad bereavement has overtaken her in the death on May 4th, of her sister, Miss Anna French, at Winchester, Kansas. We commend her to God for comfort and sustaining grace. Her many friends will give her a place in their sympathy and prayers.

Cyprus

Turning to the work in the Island of Cyprus, we invite attention to the increasing evangelistic activities under the leadership of Mr. Caskey. A large amount of preaching and personal work has been carried into widening circles. Additional villages have been reached within the year. Dr. McCarroll's work in the medical department, uniformly pervaded by the missionary spirit and with Bible reading and teaching in all the clinics, is again outstanding in its volume and success. That fifty-two hundred patients were treated in the year is almost unbelievable.

Dr. McCarroll and Mrs. McCarroll are now in America on furlough, and we hope their voices may be heard in this Synod. The Academy for Boys at Larnaca had a most successful year. With Mr. Weir on furlough, the position of director was filled by Mr. Hemphill. In every way it was an encouraging year. Mr. Clyde A. Redpath joined the teaching force in September and has done good work. The enrollment was 179, and the graduating class numbers eighteen, the largest in the history of the school. Earnest efforts are constantly being made to raise the Christian standards of the Academy. Thus the school is growing—not only in attendance, and earnestness of pupils, but also in influence and in Christian missionary purpose.

The Academy for Girls at Nicosia has enjoyed a growth beyond our expectations. Its enrollment has reached eighty-nine as compared with fifty-three last year. It became necessary to send out an additional teacher, and Miss Elda A. Patton was appointed and sailed last autumn. Her teaching ability and experience have fully justified her choice. She readily adapted herself to the conditions abroad. For the entire year the buildings have been filled to overcrowding, and new quarters are imperative unless future enrollments are to be limited to that

of this year, and the growth of the school thus arrested. The Board feels that persons of means in the Church at home should be encouraged to provide the funds for securing an adequate site and building. After six months' furlough Miss Weir resigned temporarily, and her support, coming from the Women's Synodical, was transferred to Miss Patton.

It is to be observed that in our Mission on the Island the religious life as expressed in Bible study, preaching services, prayer meetings, Sabbath schools, professions of faith in Christ, the demand for Bibles and Christian literature, the willingness of the congregations in Larnaca and Nicosia to contribute towards their own support, gives evidence of being healthy and vigorous. Bibles and portions to the number of 4000 were sold, and upwards of 5000 pieces of Turkish literature were distributed. The total membership in the churches is now 119, a net gain of twelve over last year. Our entire work in the Island is in a flourishing condition.

Syria

Equally so is the work in Syria. In the field report there is much to encourage and inspire. One notes the following: The faithfulness and zeal of the native ministers, the readiness of the people to co-operate in service, the Bible work in the homes by Miss Edgar and her helper, the ever-widening door of entrance to Moslems, the classes for women who are being taught to read the Bible, the regular public ministry and Sabbath schools on the Lord's Day, the weekly prayer meetings, the Boys' School, the Girls' School and the Training School for workers. And added to all these multiplied activities in Latakia itself, our attention is drawn to the fourteen village schools back in the mountains, each with its Sabbath school and worship on the Lord's Day, which daily bring nearly four hundred pupils directly under gospel instruction and send them back into their homes with the light of Christ shed on them. Then added to this is the itinerant preaching. All these activities and influences impress the mind and cheer the heart. And as one reads he sees, living and moving before him, the McFarlands, Miss Edgar, Miss McElroy, Miss Huston, the native Syrian pastors and a host of helpers and teachers, all laboring and witnessing, day and night, to bring the Lord Jesus to that romantic land. Coming to the close of their report we are told the number of members in each of the little groups of believers in Latakia and the other centers back in the villages. May the Lord greatly bless them, increase them a hundred fold and make them shining lights to all in that land who sit in the darkness and the shadow of death.

China

Splendid reports come from torn and distracted China. Perhaps the most noteworthy feature is the friendly and cordial esteem in which our whole mission force is held by their brethren in the Chinese Church. It can be said, too, that these same favorable relations exist between the missionaries and most of the non-Christians. All alike have been kind and friendly to our workers. At all times they have favored the

continuation of the work. The only exceptions to this were occasional outbreaks of malice and hatred on the part of irresponsible agitators. As will be known by all, political conditions have brought vexing and almost baffling problems. The most distressing of these lie in the sphere of the spiritual. Our Chinese brethren, many of them mere babes in Christ, find it hard to understand and meet these conditions. They need our prayers. As the Presbytery in China undertakes to deal with such problems our brethren there find what we find here: sin within their lives, and the lives of the church members. The inexperience of the Chinese as well as their peculiar social customs, make it very difficult for them to find a proper remedy for this. Even their leaders have been strangely reluctant to lay hold on sin and scandal in the church and uproot them. All this has reacted on our missionaries to discourage them at times, and yet God thereby led them into a larger use of the important ministry of prayer. For many years past a great volume of prayer has gone up to God with reference to a most vexing problem within the Church. Now the cheering news has come that God has made the Church responsive to the Spirit's leading, and so it became possible for Him to answer these prayers. He has led the Presbytery to deal courageously with this matter, and the heavy burden which has been resting upon the Church for years, crushing and blighting its life, has been lifted. May the Church's life be quickened and the power of the living Christ be released through her.

Speaking now in more general terms, the field reports make repeated reference to a seeming unwillingness on the part of native Christians to push evangelistic work, to take over aggressive leadership in the Church and bravely try to make the Church self-sustaining and self-propagating. Yet large things were actually done. In other centers successful evangelism has been pressed forward as never before. For at least half the year all members of the force were at their stations. At no time was the work without at least indirect oversight. The hospital work was quite effective, that at Lo Ting being at no time suspended, and the Redpath School for Girls, conducted part of the year only as an industrial institute, was in February reopened at the request of the Chinese themselves. Thenceforward it operated in all the courses, including the religious. At the time this report of your Board is being prepared it is hoped that Dr. Dickson, and perhaps others, may be present to address the Synod. As far as we can now judge the hope seems warranted that some of the missionaries at home may be returned to the field in the early autumn. They wish to return, the Chinese brethren want them, the Lord seems about to call them back. May God fulfill our many prayers!

Definite Items

Specific reference is made to these closing paragraphs:

1. In the midst of the year the Board was confronted with an alarming deficit. Only the presence in the treasury of inactive building funds saved the treasury from collapse. When to help meet the need a devoted missionary wrote to the treas-

urer and ordered his salary for six months to be credited to the deficit, it seemed high time that something should be done at home.

After earnest prayer and thought an effort was inaugurated to raise this deficit and to do so without impairing the general Budget of Synod or checking the normal flow of contributions into the treasuries of the Church. That our gracious Lord was ready and willing to honor faith and prayer at home and abroad soon became manifest. Not until the records of the year were complete were the full results known. It was then apparent that the Lord had saved the day. Numbers of his people, encouraged by generous contributions of some in close touch with the situation had helped to answer their own prayers. The sum of $9,177.30 was contributed to meet the deficit. And yet the general budget of the Church was more nearly raised than last year or the year before. We thank God and take courage. We praise the name of our Lord who answers according to, and even beyond, our faith. We are now persuaded that the ever-increasing volume of prayer ascending to God insures at an early day rich and multiplied blessings upon our Church at home and abroad. Our God is the God and Father of all, the Lord of the whole earth. If the Church will advance under the clear perception that the primary purpose of any church, minister or Christian is to make Jesus Christ known as Lord and Saviour of a lost world, blessing and prosperity are reassured.

2. As to the movements of our missionaries since last Synod, there have returned on furlough Mr. Weir and family, Dr. Smith and family, Miss Cunningham, Dr. and Mrs. Calvin McCarroll, Dr. and Mrs. Dickson. There went out to the fields, Miss Huston to Latakia, Miss Patton to Nicosia, Mr. Redpath to Larnaca (in company with Mr. Hemphill, who came to America for the summer), and Mr. and Mrs. Chester T. Hutcheson to Beirut for language study in preparation for their work in Latakia. Dr. and Mrs. Wright are expected home on furlough in the early summer; Mr. Weir expects to return with his family to Larnaca, while the Board has decided that Dr. Smith and his family shall remain at home another year that he may complete courses of study and practice in preparation for returning a year hence.

3. After consultation with Dr. Smith and the Mission in Latakia the Board has approved plans for enlarging the hospital and perfecting its equipment.

4. For mission study the coming year these books are recommended:

For adults and general mission study: "The Desire of All Nations," by Egbert W. Smith, and "The New Africa," by Donald Fraser.

For women: "Friends of Africa," by Jean Kenyon Mackenzie.

For intermediates: "Black Treasure," by Basil Matthews.

For juniors, "Camp Fires in the Congo," by Mrs. John M. Springer.

For ministers and missionary leaders, the fresh and inspiring "Desire of All Nations" cannot be too highly recommended.

5. The Board appointed Walter McCarroll to represent it before the Synod's co-ordinating committee, and has asked for the sum of $45,000 for the prosecution of the foreign mission work of the Church.

6. The Corresponding Secretary has been appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

7. The time for which Walter McCarroll, S. E. Greer, F. L. Stewart, Joseph M. Steele and W. J. Beatty were chosen to this Board has expired. Their successors should be chosen by Synod. We request that William Park, W. H. Linson and Dr. Ralph W. Duncan be added to the Board.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board,

FINDLEY M. WILSON,
Corresponding Secretary.

Synod adjourned with prayer by D. B. Martin, to meet tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock.

TUESDAY FORENOON, JUNE 12, 1928

Synod met at 9.00 o'clock pursuant to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator, and constituted with prayer by J. M. Foster. The roll was called.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Roy C. Fullerton. The offering ordered for the China Famine Relief Fund was taken, amounting to $83.67.

The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Theological Seminary was read by J. M. Johnston, taken up item by item. The report was amended, adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT ON THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Your Committee on Theological Seminary would respectfully report:

As the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian church we recognize God's hand over us for good. Notwithstanding the fact, only one student has been in attendance the last year we have reasons to rejoice that the doors of our Theological Seminary have not been closed. While it is true, the time of our Professors has not been fully occupied in the regular course of teaching, other avenues of service have been open to them.

It is also worthy of note that both professors are absent from this meeting of Synod, Dr. R. C. Wylie detained by serious illness. Our prayer is that he may be speedily restored to his usual health and strength.

Dr. R. J. G. McKnight having been appointed by the Synod as its representative, is making an extended visit with Scotch and Irish brethren across the sea. From all reports his work

is proving to be a source of great profit and blessing to these churches.

In looking forward to the coming year we are greatly rejoiced in the prospect of four, if not five, young men who are contemplating entering our Seminary this coming Autumn. We would urge the church to continue earnestly in prayer that the Lord of the harvest would send forth more laborers into the harvest and that our Covenanted Zion may be greatly blessed by the increase of her ministry.

One paper has been put in our hands for consideration. This paper contains one item for action; the re-election of four members of the Board of Superintendents whose terms expire this year: J. B. Willson, Robert Park, Knox Young, be re-elected as their own successors, and that D. H. Elliott be appointed to fill the vacancy brought about by the death of our beloved brother, R. C. Reed.

With your permission we would like to add the following three items:

1. We recommend that each applicant for entrance to the Seminary furnish to the Presbytery evidences that he has had experience in personal work in seeking to lead others to Christ.

2. That, if practical, our local pastors in the neighborhood of the Seminary be asked to supplement the curriculum by a number of evening lectures on evangelism, which not only the students, but the Sabbath School Superintendents, teachers, and other interested ones in the local churches, are urged to attend.

3. That if it is agreeable to the local congregations, the Seminary students, in the years before licensure, be assigned by the professors to those congregations for experience in pastoral work one afternoon each week. The committee has in mind such things as visiting the sick, city missionary work, and work with young people.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. JOHNSTON
J. C. MATHEWS
PAUL COLEMAN
E. J. M. DICKSON
E. F. THOMPSON

SEMINARY BOARD REPORT

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary would respectfully report for the 1927-28 session:

The Board held two meetings, one in the fall and the Annual meeting in May. The meeting on September 27, 1927, was held in the Eighth Street Church and was called at the request of the professors when the fact was known that there would be only one student in attendance. All the members and both professors were present. After long and careful consideration it was decided to operate the Seminary as heretofore. The chief consideration in this decision was the thought that it was only fair to Mr. Frank Lathom that he should be given the ad-

vantages of all the regular courses. The professors were granted the privilege of engaging in other work with an adjustment of salary. Prof. McKnight was granted leave of absence from the last month of the Seminary year that he might go to Ireland. He doubled his work during the month of March so that Mr. Lathom received the full instruction of Prof. McKnight's courses. Prof. Wylie, who had given over his time to Prof. McKnight during March, took the full time of the student during April.

The Annual meeting of the Board was held May 1, 1928, in the Seminary building. The officers elected for the ensuing year were W. J. Coleman, Chairman, Robert Park, Secretary.

The professors submitted their reports of the work done during the year. Final examination papers were submitted for review, and two oral examinations were held before the Board. In the absence of Prof. McKnight, E. L. McKnight examined Mr. Lathom on the Epistle to the Philippians, and Prof. Wylie, on the history of the doctrine of the Kingdom of Christ. In the afternoon Mr. Lathom preached in the Wilkinsburg church and was presented with his diploma of graduation by Prof. R. C. Wylie.

The reports of the professors emphasize the situation confronting the seminary and the church. In the absence of any first or second year students, the Seminary is totally dependent upon the entering class for students this year. We are happy to report that there are prospects of four or five new students in September.

It is worthy of note that neither professor is present at this meeting of Synod. Prof. McKnight being absent, due to his work across the water, and Prof. Wylie, due to a serious illness which began the day after the closing of the seminary. Dr. Wylie is commended to the prayers of the Synod and the Church.

The Treasurer's report shows the following balances:

Memorial Building Account	$ .00
Library Fund	.00
Current Account Overdrawn	18.90

F. M. Foster was appointed to represent the Board before the co-ordinating committee, and was instructed to request $4,000; $3,500 for current account, and $500 for library fund.

The term for which R. C. Reed, J. B. Willson, Robert Park, and Knox M. Young were appointed expires this year and their successors should be chosen. It is with sorrow that the Board records the death of R. C. Reed. Mr. Reed has been a faithful and helpful member, always present and taking active part in the work of the Board. The Board recommends the election of D. H. Elliott, co-pastor with the late R. C. Reed, to membership on the Board.

W. J. COLEMAN, Chairman.
ROBERT PARK, Secretary.

The report of the Committee on Geneva College was presented by S. E. Greer, and considered item by item.

D. C. Mathews and W. J. Coleman spoke on behalf of the College. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GENEVA COLLEGE

Your committee on Geneva College would respectfully report:

Two papers were referred to us—"The Report of the Trustees" and the "Report of the Corporators of Geneva College." These reports give us a wealth of knowledge concerning the college and its work which most surely is gratifying to Synod. A question often asked and rightly so is this—Why does the state spend such tremendous sums of money for the maintaining of public schools? The answer is—that it may produce the highest type of citizenship for the development and perpetuity of the state. Likewise we may say that the Covenanter Church is maintaining Christian educational institutions, at a great cost, in order that she may produce the highest type of Christian character for the purpose of safeguarding and perpetuating the high Christian ideals for which we as a Church stand. It is with much satisfaction, therefore, we note, that the Board of Trustees and the Board of Corporators, together with President Pearce and the Faculty are con-jointly maintaining not only a high-grade educational institution but also a genuinely Christian College. This is as it should be. All else must be subordinate to the one high ideal of sending forth from our college halls the highest type of Christian character and Christian citizenship. As a Synod we should thank God for this open door of opportunity for touching, teaching, training, and moulding this constant procession of hundreds and thousands of young men and women, the flower and pride of American youth, instilling into their minds and hearts these same high ideals in the formative period of their lives. Who can fully estimate the far reaching influence of the Christian impact made by our Christian college upon these young men and women by the two years of required Bible study under such teachers as Prof. John Coleman and Prof. J. Boyd Tweed; and by the continued earnest spiritual presentations and appeals of President Pearce, the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., the regular daily chapel worship of Psalms, Prayer and Bible reading; the series of special religious and evangelistic services, the sincere prayers of the faculty members, and the regular services in the nearby churches, all of which tends to bring these students face to face with the question of personal relationship to Christ Jesus the Saviour and His claims upon their life and service. Your committee is persuaded that such Christian education is not only the hope of the individual soul, but also of the Church in her ministry, her missionary and benevolent work. Another important adjunct of college work is that of training students in the art of public speech and acceptable expression of thoughts and ideas. For this purpose Geneva is maintaining an outstanding department of Public Expression and Forensic Work. Under the efficient training and highly successful

coaching of Dr. Clark, Geneva has won forty out of forty-nine debates, in contests with the keenest minds of the eastern colleges. This is a record which has not been equalled, we believe, by any similar institution in the United States.

We note with satisfaction the large number of students attending Geneva this past year. This we take as an evidence of the increasing confidence which parents have in Geneva as a safe place in which to educate their children. "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor rather than silver and gold." Twenty-one of the graduating class, we note, are members of the Covenanter Church, and this leads us to commend every effort to gather in our Covenanter boys and girls from all over the Church, to receive their college training in Geneva. And money spent in this direction is money well spent.

The financial reports of the college for the year present to us a brighter side than heretofore. The reduction of the indebtedness of the college, even if only by $10,000 brings encouragement to our hearts. But the insistent need for an increase in the teaching force of the college, will of a certainty tax the financial resources still further, to rightly and adequately take care of our present student body. And this is made the more mandatory, because the college and University Associations are laying down laws for themselves, demanding of their own institutions this increase of teaching force per capita of students, and these same institutions will refuse to admit Geneva graduates as students or teachers, if our college fails to provide a teaching force more adequate to the requirements for our student body. We heartily commend the proposed campaign—in connection with the 50th anniversary in 1930, of the coming of the College to Beaver Falls, in which an appeal will be made to the people of the valley to lift the indebtedness of the college which at present is a little more than $153,000.

The College Athletic Department has had a most successful year, not only paying all its own expenses, but also closing its year with a small balance. And in this connection we note that through the efforts of Dr. Clark, the entire indebtedness on Reeves Field has been paid off, with a small margin to add to the new gymnasium fund. This Synod should commend the Athletic and Physical Education Department of Geneva College for its continued persistent stand for Athletics that are clean, high grade, unprofessional and helpful.

We hereby express the deep appreciation of this Synod—for the careful, painstaking, and arduous work being done for our College by all those charged with its management and teaching, especially mentioning President Pearce, Dr. James S. Martin and Vice-President Robert Clarke, together with our efficient, capable Board of Trustees and Board of Corporators.

We greatly regret the inability of President Pearce to be present at this Synod owing to the serious illness of his daughter, and we earnestly hope for her a speedy recovery. The many friends of Dr. and Mrs. Pearce, have generously provided for them a trip abroad this summer, and we trust that this sickness will not prevent their going.

We recommend:

1. That the college be earnestly commended to the whole church for an interest in its prayers.

2. That the college be commended to the generosity of the Church for gifts and bequests for promotion of its great and far reaching work.

3. That R. A. M. Steele be chosen his own successor as Synod's representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

4. That D. C. Mathews and W. J. Coleman be heard on the floor of Synod.

S. E. GREER
D. C. MATHEWS
SAMUEL EDGAR
DAVID B. RUSSELL
D. A. BOLE

REPORT BOARD OF CORPORATORS

The Board of Corporators of Geneva College would report:

We have held the regular meeting for the transaction of business and one adjourned meeting. The report of the Board of Trustees was received and is herewith transmitted to Synod.

The following officers were nominated to be chosen at the annual meeting at the College June 26th, 1928: President, F. M. Wilson; Vice-President, E. A. Crooks; Secretary, Geo. M. Robb; Treasurer, James S. Tibby.

The Board of Trustees was reelected; the names of those from the membership of the Covenanter church are as follows: T. M. Slater, D. H. Elliott, D. C. Mathews, R. A. Blair, J. G. Reed, J. M. Blackwood, M. D., H. L. Smith, J. M. Steele, J. H. McBurney, J. Walker Wilson, R. M. Young, W. J. Sterrett, M. D., Mrs. Marie Stormont, Mrs. J. S. Tibby, and Miss Mary McKnight.

The representative of the business men of Beaver Valley, Charles R. May, attorney, was elected his own successor for a term of three years. Eugene S. Hoops, and Judge Geo. A. Baldwin are the other representatives.

From the Alumni Association Chas. Z. Bell, D. D., was elected his own successor for a term of three years.

The other representatives of the Alumni Association are S. C. Milligan, M. D., and Ross E. Taggart.

The following were elected their own successors on the Board of Corporators for three years by the corporators: J. R. Wylie, J. H. McBurney. In addition to these E. A. Crooks was chosen to succeed J. S. Martin, and A. A. Wylie to succeed Robert Park.

T. C. McKnight was elected his own successor by Ohio Presbytery. S. E. Greer by Philadelphia Presbytery; and J. M. Rutherford by Rochester Presbytery. W. G. Robb of Illinois Presbytery was also certified to fill the unexpired term of J. M. Coleman, who removed from the presbytery.

The term for which Robt. A. M. Steele was chosen by the Synod has expired and his successor should be chosen by Synod.

With respect to the actual working out of the affairs of the college we note with satisfaction the reduction of the college debt by ten thousand dollars. We also note the growing interest in the spiritual side of student life by Dr. Pearce and his staff of efficient helpers, as reflected in a new spiritual life among the students. The reports coming from those interested in the college are highly satisfactory and show a substantial advancement along all lines.

We trust and pray that in the coming year there may be a continued growth in the spirit of cooperation and helpfulness between all connected with this our own institution of learning.

For a more specific report on the activities of the college we refer you to the report of the Board of Trustees.

Respectfully submitted,
GEO. M. ROBB, Secretary.

REPORT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GENEVA COLLEGE

The Board of Trustees of Geneva College would respectfully report:

We desire to acknowledge our indebtedness to our Divine Lord for his many blessings to the college during the past school year. It has been a fine year. The college dean says: "In many ways * * * * the finest year in the history of the college." The health of the faculty and students has been generally good. Interest in the work to be done has been in evidence, on the part of the faculty and the students. It has been a quiet year of progress without serious disturbance of any kind. Marked success has been won in many lines of the college's activities. The attendance has been up to a high water mark. We earnestly thank God for a good year. The exception in the matter of health is that Miss Edna George, in charge of physical instruction for girls and librarian, has had to give up her work temporarily and seek rest and restoration. The sympathy and prayers of the church will go out to her.

Executive Officers

President Pearce holds the whole-hearted esteem of students and faculty. This has been shown by the movement led by certain members of the faculty, to present Dr. and Mrs. Pearce with a trip to Europe this summer, and the gift of a beautiful radio set by the students. Dr. Pearce carries the interests of Geneva in his heart as well as in his head. He is genial, just and efficient. Hence he is trusted and loved. The community joins with the students in this esteem. His hands ought to be upheld by sympathy and help in the burdens he is carrying for the church.

Vice-President Clarke labors in season and out of season for the financial interests of the college. Due to financial depression, it has been a hard year to get money. But his work was fruitful nevertheless. $16,694.50 in cash and furnishings were brought to the college through his labors. The indebted-

ness on Reeves Field has been fully paid, with a small margin to add to the new gymnasium fund.

Dr. Martin's labors are many and varied, gathering in money where he can, and saving money by careful buying. His patient and persistent work in arousing and keeping alive the interest of the alumni in the college is bearing fruit. And as publicity man he is telling the world what Geneva is doing.

Miss McKinney, the registrar, and Miss Girvan, the treasurer, with their helpers in the office are finding more and more to do and are doing it better and better. They are a busy group.

Enrollment

The net total in all departments, enrolled this year was 1,577. This is 58 more than last year, due largely to the increase in the Extension School. In the day school were 527, Extension School 736, Summer Session 305, School of Music 185, School of Public Speaking 19. This totals 1,772. Of these 195 are duplications. A class of 115 will graduate, 101 at the June commencement, 14 in August. 21 of the class are Covenanter young people. Four of the class expect to go to Theological seminaries this fall.

Spiritual Culture

Geneva has a good name as a Christian college. There is an atmosphere that is wholesome. A large percentage of the students come from religious homes. Many of other churches send their children to Geneva because of this atmosphere. Not all of the students breathe deeply of it. Some resist it. But it is there and the students, as a whole, are a fine earnest group of young people. The Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. take top rank among such organizations in the state. Dr. Pearce has made a strong religious appeal in his monthly convocation sermons. Daily chapel hour is a period of prayer, praise and the reading of the word. These reach nearly 500 young people every morning. Dr. Pearce and members of the faculty conducted a series of special religious services during the year. There is an earnest effort to bring the students face to face with the claims of Christ upon their life and service, during their college life. The key note of this effort was struck by President Pearce in his baccalaureate sermon on the text: "All things are yours, and ye are Christ's." Dean Lee says—"The prayers of the faculty are continually and earnestly raised to the Heavenly Father for the good of his children especially under our care."

Bible Department

One of the fine opportunities to cultivate the spiritual life of the students is in the class rooms where the Bible itself is the text book. This reaches all the students in the two years of required Bible courses. Prof. Tweed has given courses in Old Testament History, Bible Pedagogy, Life of Christ, Biblical Sociology, Apostolic Age; Mrs. Coleman in Life of Christ, and Apostolic Age, and Professor John Coleman in extension classes, Apostolic Age and Old Testament History. Professor Tweed

in his report remarks, "I have discovered that there is a marked ignorance of the Bible on the part of many students who come from Christian homes, even from Covenanter homes. On the other hand students with a good general knowledge of the Bible have come from unexpected sources."

Faculty

Mrs. H. H. Wylie, Professor John Coleman and Professor Earle Moore, who have been on leave of absence, taking post graduate work with a view of securing a Ph. D. degree, have been greatly missed and will be welcome back next year. In their absence, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Coleman and Dr. W. J. Coleman have ably done their work. The scholastic standing of teachers in the college is coming nearer to the standard required by the Association of Colleges. The number employed as teachers this year either for full or part time was 34. More are needed and the need awaits the means of supply.

Extension School

The Extension school is growing in number and the demand is increasing. The largest group come to the college for evening classes. Next in number is in the Philadelphia Co's. office at Pittsburgh. Other large groups were in New Castle, Ambridge and Rochester. The total enrollment was 736. This department brought to the college a net profit of $1,702.33.

Summer Session

The Summer Session is an important adjunct of the college. The enrollment last Summer was 305. This was an increase of 43 over the previous year. A wide selection of courses that gave credits toward college degrees, as well as normal courses for teachers, together with a thorough publicity campaign accounted for this increase when many other Summer Schools of the state were showing a decrease in attendance. This session was carried on at a net profit of $881.02.

Professor Twinem, in charge of the Extension School, the Summer Session and the Educational Department of the day school was heartily commended for the extensive publicity campaign he had put on among teachers and high school students, bringing these departments of Geneva to their attention.

He also established this year a Bureau of Recommendations with a view to placing well equipped teachers in schools. A service that is valuable to those seeking their first schools and available to those seeking advanced positions.

Forensics

Dr. Clarke, coach of debate, reports: "During the year just closed we participated in 17 intercollegiate debates. The largest schedule of debates that Geneva has ever carried out in one year. These included debates with W. and J., Waynesburg, Bethany, Grove City, Westminster, Juniata, Swarthmore, Rutgers and Albright. We won 12 and lost 4. At Swarthmore, at their request, there was no decision. There has been for a number of years a triangular debate between Grove City, Westminster and Geneva. Both affirmative and

negative teams from each school take part. Geneva men have won all but one of these debates. In that one the decision was a tie. The girls teams have won all their debates."

Since Dr. Clarke has been coaching there have been 49 debates. Geneva won 40, lost 8; no decision, one. Surely a fine record for both coach and debaters.

Mr. Ray Wilcox of the Senior Class represented Geneva in the intercollegiate oratorical contest.

Athletics

Director Edgecombe of the Athletic Department says, "The year 1927-1928, measured by success in athletics and in financial profits has been the most successful since the Departments inception. Our football team made an enviable record and gained national recognition by being one of the few undefeated teams with a major schedule in the country. Our players, 'Mack' Flenniken and Leland Schachern, were given 'honorable mention' on all all-American teams."

Geneva won the Tri-State Conference championship in football, track and tennis; took fourth place in basketball and by their playing at the close of the season gave promise of doing better next year, and stood second in the cross-country meets. "Practically every man in school has engaged in some form of athletics the past year."

Girls basketball has been discontinued. There is need for the development of more adequate outdoor exercise for girls.

Athletics, which carries the expense of the Physical Education Department, the gymnasium and all athletic equipment, paid for itself this year and yielded a profit of $304.49. This is a gain of more than $10,000 over the returns five years ago.

Mr. Edgecombe makes this comment, "The department has suffered a severe loss in the resignation of Mr. McMillin. Intensely loyal to all Geneva's ideals, always co-operating, his place can hardly be filled in a manner so acceptable." Mr. Flenniken has been elected coach to succeed Mr. McMillin. He is of Baptist connection. We hope for him a successful year.

A new and larger gymnasium is greatly needed and the addition of more tennis courts.

College Finances

The result of the year's effort has been to reduce the indebtedness by $10,003.76. It stands now as follows:

Mortgage reduced this year, $7,500	$ 67,500.00
Synod's Board—current account	54,852.12
Campus account	15,674.93
Carnegie notes	7,610.13
Beaver Falls banks	8,000.00
Total	$153,637.18

Plans are proposed, that in connection with the 50th anniversary in 1930 of the coming of the college to Beaver Falls, that an appeal shall be made to the people of the valley to lift that debt. There is an urgent call for added teaching force. We trust the church will be generous in helping to meet the needs of the college.

Degrees to Graduating Class

On recommendation of the faculty, degrees were conferred on members of the graduating class as follows: Bachelor of Arts, 86; Bachelor of Science, 15; Bachelor of Science in Education, 12; Bachelor of Oratory, 6; Bachelor of Music, 4; and Certificates in Music, 2.

Honorary Degrees

The Board conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity on the Rev. E. L. McKnight, Pittsburgh, Pa., and the Rev. Thos. McFall, Somerset, Nova Scotia. Owing to the illness of Mr. McFall in his case the degree was conferred "in absentia."

Representing the Board

President Pearce and D. C. Mathews were appointed to represent the Board before the Coordinating Committee, the Board of Corporators and the Synod. They were instructed to ask for an appropriation of $16,000, as much as $2,000 of which may be used to pay traveling expenses of Covenanter students coming from a distance.

Members to Be Chosen

The term for which Charles Z. Bell was chosen, as representative of the Alumni Association has expired, and his successor should be chosen. The Alumni Association will submit three names from which one shall be chosen as Mr. Bell's successor Charles Z. Bell, to succeed himself, Presbyterian minister; J. Sharp Wilson, ex-judge, Presbyterian; Mrs. Chester Lewis.

Also the term for which Charles R. May was chosen as representative of the Beaver Valley, has expired. According to the terms of the charter, the following names are submitted from which one is to be chosen: Charles R. May, attorney, Presbyterian, to succeed himself; W. W. Potts, banker, Presbyterian; E. M. Long, manager of the Beaver Clay Co., Presbyterian.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. REED, Secretary.

The officers of Synod were directed to send a night letter to Dr. and Mrs. Pearce expressing the sympathy of Synod in the illness of their daughter.

The report on Bible Readers was submitted by the Chairman, F. F. Reade, and adopted as a whole. It was directed that the cost of the special readers provided for in the report, and also of the new diplomas, be paid out of the Literary Fund. The report is as follows:

BIBLE READING

To the Synod of the Covenanter Church:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your Committee on Bible Reading would respectfully report:

We ordered printed and have distributed over the Church 4000 Daily Bible Readers. In addition, we filled orders for 53 Yearly Readers. Four hundred of the Daily Readers went to Ireland and about 60 to the Levant.

Twenty-one persons have qualified for the diplomas usually granted upon the completion of the prescribed course. These have not been sent to them as yet, for reasons which appear later in our report.

The following is our statement of receipts and disbursements:

Bible Readers sold		$88.27
Printing	$62.40	
Postage	11.65	
Express on Yearly Readers (Blanchard to Winnipeg)	2.67	
Duty paid (for entry of Yearly Readers into Canada)	5.05	
Money Orders	.25	
		$82.02
Balance		$ 6.25

A suggestion contained in a letter from brother George S. Coleman and which merits consideration, is this: "Why not make a Special Folder for children to read the Bible Stories through in one year? The printing once done would not need to be repeated each year as long as the supply lasted. Many youngsters must stall on Leviticus and Jeremiah and some Minor Prophets. Perhaps some untrained older people do too." Your committee have included with their report a recommendation along this line.

Last year's Bible Reading Committee reported the supply of diplomas as exhausted and recommended the printing of a new supply. We have not yet acted on this recommendation because we thought that perhaps a new method of granting awards might be devised, which would stimulate the using of the Readers and also result in added numbers who complete the course. Our suggestion is that certificates be issued to those who complete a year's reading, with no more than 12 mistakes; and that after six certificates have been earned a handsome diploma be given, together with some suitable additional award, the latter to be left to the discretion of the Bible Reading Committee and paid for out of the net-earnings obtained from the sale of the Committee's literature.

In order to further popularize the use of the Readers your committee this year reduced the price on single copies from 5 cents to 3 cents. When more than ten were ordered we sold them for 2½ cents instead of 3 cents, as formerly. In lots of 100 or more we made the price $1.75 per hundred in place of $2.50. The reduction was made possible through a better contract price for printing.

We recommend:

1. That G. S. Coleman's suggestion be adopted and a special folder be prepared so that the children may be able to read the Bible stories through in one year.

2. That hereafter certificates be issued to those who successfully complete a year's readings; and that a diploma, accompanied by a suitable additional award, be granted to those who earn at least six certificates.

3. That pastors and leaders be urged to recommend these reading courses to the members of their congregations and Sabbath Schools.

F. F. READE, Chairman,
H. G. PATTERSON,
RICHARD McALLISTER.

J. M. Wylie submitted the report of the Commission of Synod appointed to hear the appeal of certain members of Central Pittsburgh congregation from a decision of Pittsburgh Presbytery, at the same time submitting the minutes of the Commission. The report was approved and the minutes of the Commission ordered spread on the Minutes of Synod.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION IN SYNOD IN THE CASE OF THE CENTRAL PITTSBURGH CONGREGATION.

Your Commission respectfully reports, we have held three meetings and attended to the matters assigned to us.

The minutes of the Commission are herewith submitted.

J. M. WYLIE, Moderator.
W. J. SANDERSON, Clerk.

Winona Lake, Indiana.
June 8, 1928. 5:00 p. m.

The Commission appointed by the Synod to adjudicate the whole matter in dispute between certain members of the Central Pittsburgh congregation and Pittsburgh Presbytery met at the above time and place. The meeting was called to order and constituted with prayer by the moderator, J. M. Wylie.

Members present: J. M. Wylie, H. G. Patterson, J. G. McElhinney, S. E. Greer, W. J. Sanderson, E. G. Russell, John A. Hemphill, W. S. Wilson, E. F. Thompson.

W. J. Sanderson was elected clerk.

The papers pertaining to the case were placed in our hands.

After reading and discussing these papers and certain facts in the case, recess was taken until 7:30 p. m.

Prayer by S. E. Greer.

J. M. WYLIE, Moderator.
W. J. SANDERSON, Clerk.

Same Place. 7:30 p. m.

The Commission met, was called to order and prayer was offered by E. G. Russell.

All members present except S. E. Greer.

J. F. Steele was heard who represented the appellants.

J. C. Slater and R. A. Blair representing the Pittsburgh Presbytery were heard, also J. K. Young and W. A. Russell representing the Central Pittsburgh Congregation.

After hearing the contents of the papers and the different representatives named, and after a careful consideration of all the facts presented in the case which embodied an appeal of certain members of Central Pittsburgh Congregation from the decision of the Pittsburgh Presbytery refusing to restrain the Central Pittsburgh Congregation from selling the Eighth Street Church property, a season of prayer was engaged in by the members of the Commission and a vote was taken by ballot which resulted unanimously in declining to grant the prayer of the petitioners and thereby sustaining the action of the Presbytery.

The Commission adjourned to meet Monday, June 11, 8:30. Prayer by H. G. Patterson.

J. M. WYLIE, Moderator.
W. J. SANDERSON, Clerk.

Same Place. Monday, June 11, 8:30 a. m.

The Commission met according to adjournment, was called to order and constituted with prayer by J. M. Wylie.

Members present: J. M. Wylie, H. G. Patterson, E. G. Russell, E. F. Thompson, J. G. McElhinney, John A. Hemphill and W. J. Sanderson.

Minutes of this and the previous meetings were read and approved.

The Commission adjourned; prayer by J. G. McElhinney.

J. M. WYLIE, Moderator.
W. J. SANDERSON, Clerk.

The report on Secret Societies was submitted by J. M. Wylie, adopted as a whole and is as follows:

SECRET SOCIETIES.

This report will be confined to an examination of a few outstanding features of Free Masonry. The minor secret orders, which are sometimes considered as including Labor and Trade Unions, are legion. They are more or less imitations of this parent society and partake of its sins. They help create a public sentiment which sustains and defends this modern gigantic enemy of the Kingdom of God. Labor and Trade organizations should be carefully examined in the light of God's Word. A Christian has a higher obligation than merely to promote the efficiency and commercial interests of his own trade or profession, ,and should decide whether or not to join such an organization by considering whether its principles and practices and the character of its membership actually contribute to the highest welfare of the entire social order and to the glory of God.

As to the character of Free Masonry no one need be in doubt. Only the ignorant, and such as are morally and spiritually blinded could think of it as any other than an institution which exists to secure selfish and worldly purposes. It deceives and lures by its claims to brotherhood and charity; and no

doubt many are attracted by its claims to brotherhood and display of wealth and power seen in gorgeous costumes, glittering parades of strong attractive men, magnificent buildings, and, not the least, by the evident success its members have in securing positions of profit and of power in business, in state, and even in church. Ministers join, in some instances, to get near to men and to be able to lead them. One denomination which permits its members, but prohibits its ministers from joining this order, is seeking to have this ban removed for the reason named. The claim which Freemasonry makes that it is the one Universal Brotherhood, whose Mission is to form mankind into a great redemptive brotherhood, should not deceive the Christian. Dr. Robert Ellis Thompson has clearly stated the truth on this subject when he says: "Christian sociology recognizes the existence of an institute of humanity, which, however short of its ideal, aims at nothing less than the unification of all mankind in a society which shall transcend all limitations of race and of nationality. This is the Church." Jesus Christ declares himself to be the head of the new humanity, "I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto myself."

The fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man is a favorite expression with people who claim salvation without Jesus Christ. The fatherhood of God is made known in the Old Testament as well as in the New Testament but there is no authority for the statement that all men whom God has created are his sons. Jesus told certain Jews that they were of their father the devil. As to the teaching of the Old Testament Keil and Delitzsch, in commenting on Exodus 4:22, 23, "Israel is my son, my first born," make this significant statement: "The relation of God as Creator, to man His creature, is never referred to in the Old Testament as that of a father to a son; The fatherhood of God relates to the election of Israel as Jehovah's people of possession. But the election upon which the sonship of Israel was founded, is not presented in the aspect of a "begetting through the Spirit"; it is spoken of rather as acquiring or buying." Only those whom Christ has purchased by his blood are sons of God. But Masonry is blasphemous enough to meet this condition. Its defenders claim for it the title of a great and redemptive brotherhood.

But what of this brotherhood? In a book recently published by Rev. C. Penny Hunt, B. A. of Nottingham, England, entitled "The Menace of Freemasonry to the Christian Faith," the author says:—"The men who set up the Reign of Terror at the French Revolution, when in the name of Brotherhood men sent each other to the guillotine, were Freemasons--all. And, more serious for us, the Serajevo murders that led to the Great War were organized by Freemasons. That the murders were to be attempted was known beforehand among French masons in London. And I know that in 1914 no man could enter the French cabinet who was not a Mason or approved by Masons."

The religious claims of Masonry, however, are more perilous than its boast of brotherhood. If the non-Christian did not join because of its claims to be a religion he is soon satisfied

that it is as good as the church. Why should he not think so? When initiated he states that he wishes to be "admitted to the mysteries and privileges of masonry by the help of God." A prayer is offered with the words: "That assisted by the secrets of our masonic art, he may the better be enabled to unfold the beauties of true godliness, to the honor and glory of thy Holy Name." Waite, Wilhurst and Ward teach that "The first degree corresponds with the sacrament of baptism—The second is equivalent to the rite of confirmation. The third degree stands for entire sanctification." The Three Degrees "exhibit the entire process of human regeneration." In the third degree the resurrection of the body is represented. When the candidate is raised from his improvised grave the worshipful master embraces the "corpse," the candidate returns to life, and the words of the ritual are: "Your heart thus purified from every baneful and malignant passion."

The author named says "The purpose of the book is to call the attention of the Christian public to a menace, which if not checked, may imperil the very existence of the Church. In recent years Freemasonry has so entwined its tentacles around the official section of the Church that only the rank and file, taking the trouble to understand the teaching of Masonry, can save the situation.' The author says he has "purposely refrained from reading anything written by an enemy of the craft. I confine myself entirely to evidence obtained directly from Masonic sources of the highest authority . . . . I have ransacked the Order from top to bottom and I claim now to know that there is no other interpretation . . . . I have read and re-read the whole of the literature of the last generation, and a great deal of that emanating from earlier periods, to assure myself that the teaching of the more recent literature is not an aberration of the moment. These volumes are written by men occupying high official position in the Craft. Masonry publishes a number of weekly, monthly and quarterly periodicals, every word of which I have read. All this mass of writing—Rituals, Expositions and Periodicals are in complete agreement."

Quoting further we read: "Freemasonry is simply Theosophy. It is the perpetuation of the worship of the old pagan gods of ancient Egypt, Greece, India, etc." "The one idea running throughout the Rituals is that the real name of God has been lost. All Masonry is the quest of the lost . . . . The central thing in Masonic ritual is the amazing discovery of the grand secret that God is worshipped not through Jesus Christ, but through the union of Jehovah, Baal, Osiris . . . . They find the lost name on a plate among the ruins of an old arch of the Temple . . . . The name is TAO-BUL-ON."

"Religion is the soul of Masonry, its basis and apex." Treating of Masonry and the Church he says: "The Protestant claims that the Reformation cut out the pagan element (from religion). Well, in 1717 Masonry cut out the Christian element and so, logically, Protestantism should be the strongest antagonist of Freemasonry. Yet she it is more than any other section of Christendom who condones it. Does she con-

done Masonry simply because Rome condemns it? Is her only concern today to be unlike Rome? Does she hate Rome more than she loves Christ?"

Is Freemasonry a menace to the Christian faith in America? A pastor of an evangelical church admitted that Masonry had a tendency to keep men out of the church but, he said, "If one has not joined the church until old enough to become a Mason, he is not likely to become a Christian anyway." We are told that 95 per cent of the ministers of one leading denomination, and 90 per cent of another almost as large are members in this Christless organization. One minister tells of his acceptableness, to a committee, as a candidate for a pulpit, but was rejected because he was opposed to Masonry. Is Freemasonry an enemy of the church? Hear what Mr. M. L. Wilmhurst, President of the Installed Masters Association of Huddersfield, England and a lecturer throughout the Masonic Lodges of England, has to say: "It is well for a man to be born in a church, but terrible for him to die in one; for in religion there must be growth. A young man is to be censured who fails to attend the Church of his nation; the elderly man is equally to be censured if he does attend—he ought to have outgrown what the Church offers and to have attained a higher order of religious life. The Churches may be left to continue to discharge their proper ministry, whilst those who feel the need of richer fare than the Churches provide may find it in the ancient Gnosis to which Freemasonry serves as a portal of entrance." Could the pride of Lucifer exceed that? Is there no menace to the Christian faith in the announcement in the daily press of February 12, 1928 that 1800 members of the Order of De Molay, Junior Order of Masons, gathered in Springfield, Illinois from more than 200 cities, from 6 states?

Wesley described Masonry as the most amazing banter ever imposed upon mankind which leads the Reverend Mr. Hunt to ask: "Is Deism—after 200 years to destroy her destroyer? . . . . Masonry is indeed a coalition of all pagan faiths against Christianity . . . . Masonry is spending millions erecting new temples and layng deep her plans to capture the rising generation. If the Churches already are so deeply involved that action is difficult and unpleasant, what will the position be in twenty years' time?

Modern knowledge has not inflicted a scratch upon the central truths of the Gospel. The evangelical churches have inherited the heaviest responsibility from the past and are trustees for the future. If they fail, Protestantism disappears, not through evil design on the part of Roman or Anglo-Catholics, but in consequence of the toleration of the enemy within.

"ROME IS LEFT—AND MASONRY."

J. M. WYLIE
J. BOYD TWEED
W. J. COLEMAN
ELFRY HUNTER
C. M. FINLEY.

The Committees on Records of Presbyteries reported. The records of Rochester Presbytery and of the Presbytery in China were not present. The reports were all adopted and the proper entries made in the various record books.

Synod took recess until 1:30 p. m., prayer by Elder W. M. McDonald.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 12, 1928.

Synod reconvened at the appointed hour, was called to order by the Moderator, opened with a verse of the 100th Psalm and prayer by E. A. Crooks. The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on Finance was read by H. G. Foster, amended and adopted as a whole. In accordance with Item 2, the Clerk cast the unanimous ballot of Synod for James S. Tibby, J. H. McBurney and T. H. Boyd to be their own successors on Synod's Board of Trustees for the term beginning June 15, 1928 and ending June 15, 1931. The report is as follows:

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Finance would respectfully report:

Thirteen papers have been placed in our hands, which are: Three papers on Foreign Missions; Report of the Trustees of Synod; Report of the Board of Church Erection; Report of Mission of the Covenant; Report of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association; Olive Trees account, Literary Fund account, Report of Board of Control; Memorial from Ohio Presbytery; and a bill for a telegram.

The following are the recommendations:

I. That the treasurers' reports of Trustees of Synod, Board of Church Erection, Mission of Covenant, Women's Association, Olive Trees, Literary fund, Board of Control, Foreign Missions, be approved together with the auditor's certificates which accompany these reports and be published in the Minutes of Synod.

II. That the clerk be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for T. H. Boyd, James H. McBurney, and James S. Tibby, as their own successors on Synod's Board of Trustees.

III. That D. B. Martin and J. T. Hensleigh be elected their own successors on the Board of Control.

IV. That T. M. Slater, F. L. Stewart, R. J. Bole, and Joseph M. Steele, be elected their own successors on the Board of Church Erection.

V. That the bequest of Mrs. Mary Adams Buxton, amounting to $2,663.87, be paid into Synod's Budget.

VI. That the deficit of $272.42 in the printing and sale of 1927 Minutes of Synod be paid out of the Literary Fund.

VII. That the Board of Trustees be authorized to sell church property at Ray, Indiana, and take necessary steps to transfer cemetery property to a local cemetery association to be formed.

VIII. That the money from the sale of the Ray, Indiana, church property be credited to Church Erection.

IX. That the bill of 71c for a telegram to J. Campbell White be paid out of the Literary Fund.

X. That pastors be urged to make a decided effort to place a copy of Minutes of Synod in every home.

Signed: H. G. FOSTER
R. C. FULLERTON
JOHN H. PRITCHARD
J. T. HENSLEIGH
JAS. B. SMILEY

REPORT OF SYNOD'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

To the Moderator and Members of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod:

Dear Brethren—The Trustees of Synod herewith submit the Treasurer's Report for the year ended April 1, 1928, and to report concerning the financial interests entrusted to their management.

The Board held the regular quarterly meetings, which were always attended by the members. Matters coming before the Board, during the year, were mostly of a routine character. The funds of the Church are all carefully invested in six per cent mortgages in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

We desire to express our thanks to the Head of the Church, for the many blessings bestowed upon us during the past years.

The Following Bequests Were Received

W. S. Mitchell, Olathe, Kas.—Foreign Missions $172,38, Home Missions $172.37, Southern Mission $172.37, total $517.12.

Miss Marg. A. Wylie, Belle Center, O.—China Mission $100.00.

Robert Burns, Morning Sun, Iowa—Southern Mission $400.00, Indian Mission $100.00, Ministerial Relief $150.00, Widows and Orphans $150.00, total $800.00.

Elizabeth Allison, New York, $5,774.04, the income to Rev. F. M. Foster and at his decease, to Home Mission Endowment.

Mrs. Mary Adams Buxton, Utica, O.—$2,663.87, to the Reformed Presbyterian church.

A grand total of $9,855.03.

The Londonderry, O., church property was sold for $454.17. By special arrangements this fund is in our hands and the income to be used in the upkeep of the congregational cemetery.

The Glory of Judea congregation, purchasers of the Brooklyn, N. Y., church property, paid off the mortgage and the fund amounting to $7,042.75 was pro rated among the schemes of the church as per instructions given by the Brooklyn, N. Y., congregation.

The invested funds produced total earnings of $75,822.83, of this $5,298.87 came from stocks and $70,523.96 from mortgages. The books show:

Mortgages, $1,091,162.03, an increase of	$109,602.00
Stocks, $103,350.00, a decrease of	13,300.00
Annuities, $87,204.98, an increase of	26,236.04
Private invested, $13,181.92, an increase of	1,454.17
Bequests in abeyance $37,509.32, an increase of	1,880.61
General endowments $1,020,533.79, increase of	7,232.07

The regular dividend of five and one half per cent on invested funds was declared and the balance credited to the contingent fund. The books and accounts of your treasurer were audited by H. A. Stout, Public Auditor and found correct.

James S. Tibby, with William J. Ward as alternate, was appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

For Synodical Action.

Distribution of Mrs. Mary Adams Buxton bequest of $2,663.87. The terms of Messrs. T. H. Boyd, Jas. H. McBurney, James S. Tibby as members of the Board expires June 15, 1928. Their successors should be elected by ballot.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES S. TIBBY, Sec'y.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Surplus Funds

Real Estate	$148,000.00
Buildings	641,200.00
Furniture and fixtures	50,225.00
General Stocks and Bonds	103,350.00
General Annuity Stocks and Bonds	12,100.00
Annuities cash	75,104.98
Invested funds for outsiders	13,181.92
Bequests in abeyance	37,509.32

Endowment Funds

Geneva College	$504,438.35
Theological Seminary	71,405.42
Mrs. M. E. and E. S. E. McKee, China	16,000.00
Theological Students	16,876.88
Ministerial Relief	25,985.42
Foreign Missions	82,047.70
Syrian Mission	7,020.54
China Mission	2,937.50
Rev. David and Mrs. M. E. McKee, Sundries	10,000.00
Mrs. E. S. E. McKee, Sundries	6,500.00
Home Mission	66,124.25
Southern Mission	8,447.95
Indian Mission	4,138.54
Jewish Mission	2,333.32
Witness Work	2,883.34
Aged People's Home	9,200.00

Widows and Orphans	13,300.02
Church Erection	3,400.00
Rev. and Mrs. J. J. McClurkin	100.00
Barnet, Vt. congregation, Sundries	650.00
American Bible Society	50.00
Miss Mary A. Sterrett	2,704.58
David Gregg fund	157,015.73
M. W. Stevenson	1,174.25
D. S. Gailey, Foreign Missions	5,000.00
Rev. and Mrs. Jas. McCune, China	800.00
	$1,020,533.79

David Gregg Mortgage Fund

April 1, 1927, Balance	$156,350.00
Mortgages taken	19,300.00
	$175,650.00
Mortgages paid	13,500.00
April 1, 1928, Balance	$162,150.00

David Gregg Mortgage Interest

Receipts

Collections		$ 9,549.30

Disbursements

Service	$ 477.46	
Foreign Missions	3,326.34	
Home Missions	2,721.55	
Church Erection	604.79	
Theo. Seminary	604.79	
Southern Mission	604.79	
Widows and Orphans	604.79	
Central Allegheny cong.	604.79	
		$ 9,549.30

Mortgage Funds

April 1, 1927, Balance	$825,210.03
Mortgages taken	70,900.00
	$896,110.03
Mortgages paid	27,130.00
April 1, 1928, Balance	$868,980.03

Interest Account

Receipts

Interest on overdrafts	$ 6,348.02	
Interest from mortgages	51,183.34	
		$ 57,531.36

Disbursements

Share office expenses	$ 1,501.21	
Dividends	50,541.55	
Contingent account	5,488.60	$ 57,531.36

Cash Account

April 1, 1927, Balance		$ 11,489.97
Receipts		250,938.64
		$262,428.61
Disbursements		$258,182.37
April 1, 1928, Balance		$ 4,246.24

Expense Account

Rent $795.60, Phone $50.14, Supplies $76.42		
Clerk Hire $85.00, R. R. fare $20.65, Hotel $17.39		
Auditor $199.25, Box Rent $7.50, Bond $25.00		
Insurance $4.22, Printing $8.00, Salary $3,000.00		$ 4,289.17
Above paid as follows:		
Indian Miss. 214.46, South'n 428.92, Home 857.83		
Wit. 214.46, Geneva Col. 643.37, Mem. Bld. 428.92		
Interest Account 1,501.21		4,289.17

Contingent Account

April 1, 1927, Balance		49,610.43
Receipts		
Balance of profits		5,488.60
April 1, 1928, Balance		55,099.03

Pro Rate Funds

Collections from congregations	$ 319.30	
Brookl'n N. Y. church mortg. & int	7,042.75	
		7,362.05
Attorney fees	335.55	
Balance to 14 depts. of the church	7,026.50	
		7,362.05

Undesignated Budget Funds

April 1, 1927, Balance	297.24
Collections	61,770.95
	62.068.19
Distributed	61,973.21
April 1, 1928, Balance	94.98

Temperance

April 1, 1927, Balance	431.87
Receipts	
Collections	23.25
	455.12
Disbursements	
Supplies	60.00
April 1, 1928, Balance	395.12

Students Aid

April 1, 1927, Balance		163.36
Receipts		
Collections	21.25	
Undesignated budget	725.51	
Pro rate budget	63.24	
Dividends	928.23	1,738.23
		1,901.59
Disbursements		
Frank Lathom	150.00	
Expenses Board of Control	1.22	
Christian Nation Ads	46.01	
Memorial Building Order Synod	800.00	997.23
April 1, 1928, Balance		904.36

Ministerial Relief

April 1, 1927, Balance overdrawn		787.09
Receipts		
Collections	708.45	
Undesignated budget	2,112.65	
Pro rate budget	238.90	
Outside budget	2,020.00	
1927 Deficit	219.44	
Robert Burns, M. Sun, Bequest	150.00	
Dividends	1,572.60	7,022.04
		6,234.95
Disbursements		
Expenses Board of Control	$ 1.22	
Life Insurance 4 students	1,062.15	
Christian Nation Ads	173.82	
Interest on overdraft	72.55	
T. C. Sproul, $350, W. S. Fulton $450		
S. J. Crowe $350, J. W. McDill $350		
B.M.Sharp $400, Wm. McFarland $500		
J. F. Crozier $300, Isaiah Faris $360		
A. Kilpatrick $300, W. C. Allen $500		
S.F.Kingston $250, T.A.McElwain $400	4,510.00	
		$ 5,819.74
April 1, 1928, Balance		$ 415.21

Widows and Orphans

April 1, 1927, Balance overdrawn		1,313.41
Receipts		
Collections	668.07	
Undesignated budget	2,236.00	
Pro rate budget	245.93	

Outside budget	1,520.00	
1927 Deficit	382.79	
Dividends	1,468.06	
Robert Burns, M. Sun, Bequest	150.00	6,670.85
		5,357.44

Disbursements

Expenses Board of Control	1.21	
Christian Nation Ads	178.94	
Interest on overdraft	96.69	
Mrs. M. M. Dodds 400.00, Mary A. French 400.00		
Juliet H. Cannon 250.00, Jennie S. Faris 300.00		
Anna George 200.00, Juliet McDonald 200.00		
Mrs. P. P. Boyd 500.00, Agnes C. Wilson 200.00		
Mrs. I. A. Blackwood 500.00, Anna Patton 200.00		
Marg. M. Willson 500.00, Jennie G. Dodds 400.00		
Mary D. Khouri 400.00, Eliz. A. Edgar 200.00		
Mrs. Jas. McCune 200.00, Mrs. J. R. Wylie 200.00	5,050.00	5,326.84
April 1, 1928, Balance		30.60

Theological Seminary

April 1, 1927, Balance overdrawn		458.73

Receipts

Collections	122.80	
Undesignated budget	1,728.09	
Pro rate budget	210.80	
1927 Deficit	98.78	
Dividends	4,549.96	6,710.43
		6,251.70

Disbursements

R. C. Wylie $3,000.00,R. J. G. McKnight 3,000.00		
R. J. G. McKnight expenses 35.00, Sundry 1.00		
F. M. Foster 46.00, E. L. McKnight 20.00		
F. M. Wilson 7.00, Robert Park 1.50		
W. T. K. Thompson 3.15		
Interest on overdraft 156.95		6,270.60
April 1, 1928, Balance overdrawn		18.90

Memorial Building

April 1, 1927, Balance		46.99
Receipts		
Phone Calls	.60	
Undesignated Budget	386.97	
R. C. Wylie to meet running expenses	50.00	
From students aid fund order Synod	800.00	1,237.57
		1,284.56
Disbursements		
Gas 138.60, Electricity 90.55, Phone 58.90		
Repairs 45.15, Supplies 88.67, Insurance 64.00		
Coal 176.83, Water 39.56, Share office ex 428.92		
Christian Nation Ads 153.38		1,284.56

Library Fund

Receipts		
Certificates sold	2.50	
Designated Collections	10.10	
Undesignated Budget	241.24	253.84
Disbursements		
Books	29.04	
Magazines	62.30	
Certificates printed	10.00	
Plate for Diplomas	152.50	253.84

Southern Mission

April 1, 1927, Balance overdrawn		3,083.04
Receipts		
Designated Collections	1,323.12	
Undesignated budget	5,220.61	
Pro rate budget	667.52	
Outside budget	60.00	
1927 Deficit	813.83	
Local Receipts	3,715.19	
Rent Little Knox	90.00	
Dividends	1,418.80	
Robert Burns Bequest	400.00	
W. S. Mitchell bequest	172.37	
Salary Miss McCracken, Paid W. M. S. Pitts. Presby. for 2 years	1,600.00	15,481.44
		12,398.40

Disbursements		
Boarding	135.00	
R. R. Fare	431.27	
Local Expenses	2,716.39	
Salaries	9,789.92	
Interest on overdraft	324.40	
Christian Nation Ads	485.69	
Share office expenses	428.92	14,311.59
April 1, 1928, Balance overdrawn		1,913.19
Indian Mission		
April 1, 1927, Balance		2,178.83
Receipts		
Designated Collections	531.20	
Pro rate budget	98.37	
Outside budget	10.00	
W. M. S. Pitts. Presby. for salary	1,200.00	
Rent of farm	425.00	
Local receipts	247.13	
Dividends	227.62	
Robert Burns Bequest	100.00	
Notes paid sale of mdse	501.07	3,340.39
		5,519.22
Disbursements		
Supplies, repairs, improvements	1,143.10	
R. R. Fare	31.13	
Communion expenses	50.00	
Insurance	15.30	
Christian Nation Ads	71.58	
Office Expenses	214.46	
Salary	1,599.96	3,125.53
April 1, 1928, Balance		2,393.69
Home Missions		
April 1, 1927, Balance overdrawn		3,415.78
Receipts		
Collections	$ 412.80	
Undesignated budget	7,967.53	
Pro rate budget	709.67	
Outside budget	20.00	
Share of 1927 Deficit	835.47	
W. S. Mitchell Bequest	172.37	
Selma cong. for pastor's salary	147.74	
Dividends	6,452.10	
Pittsburgh Presbytery transferred	130.00	
		$ 16,847.68
		$ 13,431.90

Disbursements

Canada 3,343.28, Illinois 1,074.05
Iowa 494.75, Kansas 946.60
New York 2,766.70, Ohio 1,676.66
Pacific 1,583.21, Phil. 766.60
Pitts. 3,010.66, Rochester 516.70
Prayer Circle 50.49, Office 857.83
Overdraft 520.87, C. Nation Ads 516.36
R. R. Fare and Boarding 176.78
Moving S. S. to Selma 192.86
Miscellaneous 28.47 18,522.87

April 1, 1928, Balance overdrawn ____ 5,090.97

Witness Work

April 1, 1927, Balance ____ 1,188.57

Receipts

Collections	779.60	
Undesignated budget	3,464.95	
Pro rate budget	358.35	
Outside budget	50.00	
Literature	23.75	
Dividend	158.58	4,835.23
		6,023.80

Disbursements

Postage & Envelopes 1,791.11, Printing 862.50
C. Nation Ads 260.74, General Ads 491.93
Office expenses 214.46, Overdraft 22.83
W. J. Coleman salary 916.69, J. M. Coleman 333.32
W. J. Coleman expenses 241.78, E. G. Coleman 170.00
Mrs. M. Bothwell 541.50, Mrs. R. H. George 17.00 5,863.86

April 1, 1928, Balance ____ 159.94

Evangelistic Work

April 1, 1927, Balance overdrawn ____ 449.90

Receipts

Collections	188.50	
Undesignated budget	2,023.06	
Pro rate budget	182.69	
Outside budget	10.06	
Share 1927 Deficit Funds	96.88	2,501.19
		2,051.29

Disbursements

R. A. M. Steele, salary	2,500.00
R. A. M. Steele, expenses	372.42
E. K. Patton, expenses	5.10

Printing	10.00	
Books	10.00	
Share C. Nation Ads	132.92	
Interest on overdraft	76.03	3,106.47
April 1, 1928, Balance overdrawn		1,055.18

Forward Movement

April 1, 1927, Balance		56.92
Receipts		
Literature	13.40	
D. H. Elliott	30.30	
Y. P. Topic Cards	78.80	
Prayer Meeting cards	48.18	170.68
		227.60
Disbursements		
Printing 6 Great Certainties	91.24	
Printing Y. P. Topic Cards	111.56	
Printing Prayer Meeting Cards a-c	6.82	
Wires	4.92	
D. H. Elliott, expenses	44.00	
E. K. Patton, services	100.00	
W. C. McClurkin	50.00	408.54
April 1, 1928, Balance overdrawn		180.94

Geneva College Mortgage

April 1, 1927, Balance due	75,000.00
Paid Fidelity Title & Trust Co.	7,500.00
April 1, 1928, Balance due	67,500.00

Carnegie-Johnston Notes

April 1, 1927, Balance due	7,610.13
April 1, 1928, Balance due	7,610.13

Campus Account

April 1, 1927, Balance overdrawn	14,787.67
Interest on overdraft, one year	887.26
April 1, 1928, Balance overdrawn	15,674.93

Campaign Account

April 1, 1927, Balance	357.60
Receipts	
Collections	11,339.19
	11,696.79

Disbursements		
Endowment Fund	2,500.00	
Current Account J. S. Tibby	2,500.00	
Salaries	4,027.50	
Trav. expenses	223.19	
Check returned	30.00	9,280.69
April 1, 1928, Balance		2,416.10

Joint Current Account

April 1, 1927, Balance overdrawn		61,780.33
Receipts		
Share Budget Funds	11,917.00	
Over and above budget	1,000.00	
Campaign Funds	2,500.00	
Dividends and Coupons	32,178.36	
School Liberal Arts	123,723.96	
Extension school	23,599.18	
Summer	13,455.43	
Athletics	33,759.73	
Public Speaking	67.70	
Book Store	13,774.24	
North Hall for Men	2,495.95	
McKee Hall for Ladies	7,404.50	
Dining Room	25.937.81	
Alumni Hall	2,721.00	294,534.86
Disbursements		
Mortgage on account	7,500.00	
Interest on Mortgage	4,350.00	
Interest on overdraft	4,077.94	
Int. on Carnegie-Johnston Notes	456.60	
Annuity extra interest	250.00	
Christian Nation Ads	674.85	
Share Office expenses	643.37	
Prize money	57.50	
Special check	350.00	
Bal. due on Stadium excavating	1,624.25	
Error in crediting coupons	175.00	
Insurance	529.00	
Budget Funds	11,880.00	
Robert Clarke, services	2,500.00	
Robert Clarke, commission	2,500.00	
Robert Clarke, expenses	435.08	
School Liberal Arts	130,766.75	
Extension	22,910.85	
Summer	12,574.41	
Athletics	33,838.96	
Book Store	12,939.66	
North Hall for Men	2,679.68	
McKee Hall for Ladies	5,043.50	

Dining Room	24,002.57	
Alumni Hall	3,521.54	
		$286,281.51
April 1, 1928, Balance overdrawn		53,526.98

Auditor's Report

I, the undersigned appointed by the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of N. A. to audit the Accounts of James S. Tibby, Treasurer, would respectfully report that I have examined the Accounts, Cash in Bank and find same correct as per above Report to the 1928 Ref. Pres. Synod.

H. A. STOUT, Public Auditor.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF LITERARY FUND

APRIL 1, 1927—APRIL 1, 1928

April 1, 1927, Balance		970.95
Receipts		
Sale 1927 Dockets	37.15	
Synodical Collection	72.56	
Traveling Fund over of 1927 Synod	703.23	
Bible Readings on account	5.23	
Books	642.48	
Sale 1927 Minutes Synod	399.50	1,860.15
		2,831.10
Disbursements		
Printing Dockets	46.49	
Synod's Typist	25.00	
Rent typewriters	3.46	
Rent Winona Christian Church	53.78	
W. McCarroll R. R. ex. to Wash. D. C.	18.00	
A. A. Wylie R. R. ex to Wash. D C	19.05	
Printing Bible Readings	75.00	
Postage Bible Readings	5.23	
Printing Vital Statistics sheets	6.25	
Printing Minutes 1927 Synod, etc	671.92	
Printing Prayer Meeting Topics	35.00	
Advertisement	10.00	
Storage of Books	10.00	979.18
April 1, 1928, Balance		1,851.92

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

For Synodical Action

The last edition of the Psalter is nearly exhausted, we await your instructions as to a new edition.

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

PRINTING AND SALE OF 1927 MINUTES OF SYNOD

One thousand copies of the Minutes of the 1927 Synod were printed by the News-Herald of Morning Sun, Iowa.

799 copies were sold at fifty cents a copy	399.50	
17 free copies distributed		
816		
Cost of Printing	519.00	
Postage and expressage	52.92	
Services of Synod's Clerk in editing	100.00	
	$617.92	
Deficit		$ 272.42

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

REPORT OF JOSEPH M. STEELE, TREASURER STATEMENT OF FUNDS IN FOREIGN MISSION ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1928

Syria Hospital Fund	$2,667.96	
Mersine Hospital Fund	9,767.90	
Latakia Dwelling Bldg. Fund	4,186.68	
Tarsus Building Fund	6,294.97	
Mersine School Fund	62.94	
J. D. McAnlis Fund	524.06	
Foreign Field Deputation Fund	1,514.60	
J. French Carithers Mem. Fund	6,052.93	
Foreign Missions General Fund Account	2,650.62	
Syria Mission Special Fund	2,294.19	
Asia Minor Mis. Special Fund	No Bal.	
Cyprus Mission Special Fund	774.76	
China Mission Special Fund	3,321.25	
Girls' School, Nicosia, Cyprus, salary Account	No Bal.	$ 40,112.86

LATAKIA HOSPITAL FUND

Balance, April 15, 1927		$ 2,282.63
Receipts:		
General Use	$235.00	
Dividends:		
Rev. David & Mrs. M. E. McKee Cot.	$ 60.00	
Mrs. E. S. E. McKee, Cot	60.00	120.00
Interest on Account	30.33	
		$ 385.33
No Disbursements:		$ 2,667.96

MERSINE HOSPITAL FUND

Balance, April 15, 1927		$ 9,578.61
Receipts:		
Dividends:		
Rev. David & Mrs. M. E. McKee, Cot.	$ 80.00	
Interest on Account	109.29	
		$ 189.29
		$ 9,767.90

No Disbursements.

LATAKIA DWELLING BUILDING FUND

Balance, April 15, 1927	$ 4,139.08
Interest on Account	47.60
No Disbursements.	$ 4,186.68

TARSUS BUILDING FUND

Balance, April 15, 1927	$ 6,223.55
Interest on Account	71.42
	$ 6,294.97

No Disbursements.

MERSINE SCHOOL FUND

Balance, April 15, 1927	$ 62.24
Interest on Account	.70
	$ 62.94

No Disbursements.

J. D. McANLIS FUND

Balance, April 15, 1927	$ 518.12
Interest on Account	5.94
	$ 524.06

No Disbursements:

FOREIGN FIELD DEPUTATION FUND

Balance, April 15, 1927	$ 1,514.60

No Disbursements.

J. FRENCH CARITHERS MEMORIAL FUND

Balance, April 15, 1927		$ 5,916.62
Receipts	$ 68.00	
Interest on Account	68.31	136.31
		$ 6,052.93

No Disbursements.

Liberty Bonds $1,600.00

FOREIGN MISSION GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Receipts

Congregations		$36,536.14	
Sabbath Schools and Societies		7,430.03	
Individuals		7,163.27	$ 51,129.44
Bequests:			
Margaret B. Wylie, Belle Center, O.	$ 100.00		
W. S. Mitchell, Olathe, Kas.	172.38		
	$ 272.38		
Dividends:			
David Gregg Estate	3,326.34		
Regular	5,044.03		
Mrs. M. E. & E. S. E. McKee	880.00		
Barnet, Vermont	17.87		
Rev. David & Mrs. M. E. McKee	410.00		
Miss M. Sterrett	349.38		
Mrs. E. S. E McKee	50.00		
			$ 10,350.00
Paid by Mrs. Lytle			242.40
Salaries returned			935.00
Travel returned			47.73
			$62,704.57
Less Debit Bal. April 15, 1927			3,100.22
Total Net Receipts			$ 59,604.35

Disbursements

Syria (Latakia and Suadia Stations):			
Salaries	$9,913.75		
Mission Expense	12,170.51		
Travel	1,274.75	$23,359.01	
Asia Minor (Tarsus Station):			
Salaries	$1,020.00		
Mission Expense (Inc. Rent of Bldgs.)	1,592.15		
Travel	15.86	2,628.01	
Cyprus:			
Salaries	10,205.21		
Mission Expense	4,158.34		
Travel	2,016.42	$16,379.97	

China:			
Salaries	12,765.00		
Mission Expense	1,767.82		
Travel	$ 53.92	$14,586.74	$ 56,953.73
Total Receipts	$59,604.35		
Total Disbursements	56,953.73		
Net Balance		$2,650.62	

SPECIAL FUND ACCOUNTS

SYRIA MISSION

Receipts:			
Julia Shemas	$ 100.00		
Jurge Michel	60.00		
Support of Boy	60.00		
Relief	571.97		
Orphans and Refugees	78.00		
Education	163.64		
Latakia School	60.00		
Women's Work	52.00		
Drinking Fountain	317.85		
Dividends:			
Est. D. S. Gailey, Edu.	275.00		
		$ 1,738.46	
Balance, April 15, 1927		$ 1,629.47	
		$ 3,367.93	
Disbursements:			
Specific Special Items		$ 1,073.74	
			$ 2,294.19
Liberty Bonds	$300.00		

ASIA MINOR MISSION

April 15, 1927 — No Bal.

No receipts or disbursements:

CYPRUS MISSION

Receipts:			
Education	$ 90.07		
Support	50.00		
Girls' School	215.00		
Boys' School	42.16		
Relief	12.60		
Dividends:			
Keystone Driller Company	210.00		
		$ 619.83	
Balance, April 15, 1927		755.75	
		$ 1,375.58	

Disbursements:

Sent to Field for Sundry Purposes as above	$ 600.82	$ 774.76

CHINA MISSION

Receipts:

Support	$ 40.00	
Literature	100.00	
Dale Smith Memorial	25.00	
Country Work	50.00	
House Boat	46.75	
Dividends:		
Keystone Driller Company, for students	210.00	
Rev. & Mrs. Jas. McCune, educate girl	44.00	
	$ 515.75	
Balance, April 15, 1927	2,805.50	$ 3,321.25

No Disbursements:
Liberty Bonds $1,100.00

GIRLS' SCHOOL, NICOSIA, CYPRUS

Salary Account

Receipts:

From Women's Presbyterials	$ 2,571.25
Balance, April 15, 1927	No Bal.
	$ 2,571.25

Disbursements:

Sal. 1 yr., Miss Mabel Henderson	$ 850.00	
Sal. 1 yr., Miss Blanche McCrea	850.00	
Sal. 6 mos., Miss Lola Weir	446.25	
Sal. 6 mos., Miss Elda A. Patton	425.00	
		$ 2,571.25
		No. Bal.

AMOUNTS DUE MISSIONARIES

Miss F. Elma French	$ 12.00	
Rev. W. W. Weir	.50	
Rev. C. E. Caskey	160.00	
		$ 172.50

ADVANCES MADE FOR MISSIONARIES

Miss F. Elma French	$ 200.00	
Miss Elizabeth McElroy	25.90	
Rev. C. E. Caskey	20.65	
Miss Blanche McCrea	50.00	
		$ 296.55

SECRETARY'S EXPENSE

Miscellaneous Travel for Others than Secretary	$ 184.43	
Foreign Mission Conference for 1926 and 1927	250.00	
Office Expense and Clerk Hire	1,050.00	
	$ 1,484.43	
Travel Returned	18.00	
		$ 1,466.43
Distributed:		
Syria Expense	$ 586.56	
Asia Minor Expense	293.29	
Cyprus Expense	293.29	
China Expense	293.29	
		$ 1,466.43

TREASURER'S EXPENSE

Bond		$ 50.00
Audit		85.00
Copies Minutes, Synod		11.00
Postage, Stationery and Office Sup.		18.99
		$ 164.99
Distributed:		
Syria Expense	$ 65.99	
Asia Minor Expense	33.00	
Cyprus Expense	33.00	
China Expense	33.00	
		$ 164.99

COMPARATIVE REPORT

	1927		1928	
	Receipts	Payments	Receipts	Payments
Foreign Mission General Fund Accounts	$52,085.21	$53,083.26	$59,604.35	$56,953.73
Syria Mission, Special Fund	2,316.20	1,246.52	1,738.46	1,073.74
Asia Minor Mission, Special Fund	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	
Cyprus Mission, Special Fund	685.75	858.17	619.83	600.82
China Mission, Special Fund	521.89	275.73	515.75	Nothing
Latakia Hospital Fund	313.22	500.00	385.33	Nothing
Mersine Hospital Fund	379.49		189.29	Nothing
Latakia Dwelling Building Fund	61.64		47.60	Nothing
Tarsus Building Fund	92.80		71.42	Nothing
Mersine School Fund	.93		.70	Nothing
J. D. McAnlis Fund	7.22		5.94	Nothing
J. French Carithers Memorial Fund	9,971.86	6,005.36	136.31	Nothing
	$14,351.00	$ 8,885.78	$ 3,710.63	$ 1,674.56

SUMMARY

Totals for General Fund Accounts	$52,085.21	$53,083.26	$59,604.35	$56,953.73
Totals for Special & Misc. Fund Accts.	$14,351.00	8,885.78	3,710.63	1,674.56
Grand Totals	$66,436.21	$61,969.04	$63,314.98	$58,628.29

STATEMENT OF BALANCES AND DISTRIBUTION OF CASH IN BANKS

Foreign Mission Accounts:

General, Special and Miscellaneous		$40,112.86
Board of Church Erection		3,867.06
Jewish Mission		430.40
Amounts Due Missionaries		172.50
		$44,582.82

Less:

Olive Trees	$ 39.99	
Amounts Due by Missionaries	296.55	
		$ 336.54
		$44,246.28

Distributed as Follows:

*Brown Brothers & Company	$40,789.31	
Bank of North America & Trust Co.	1,609.50	
Central National Bank	1,847.47	
		$44,246.28

* Includes Deposits of April 20 and 26, 1928.

Respectfully submitted,
JOS. M. STEELE, Treasurer.

OLIVE TREES ACCOUNT

Joseph M. Steele, Treasurer.

Statement of Funds, January 1, 1927 to January 1, 1928

Receipts

Subscriptions	$ 925.00	
W. M. S., 3d Church of Covenanters, Phil.	25.00	
Transferred to Foreign Mission Expense Acct. Deficit, December 31, 1927	531.93	
		$ 1,481.93
		No Bal.
		$ 1,481.93

Disbursements

Ludwig Printing House	$ 1,481.93
January 1, 1928	No Bal.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH M. STEELE, Treasurer.

This account shows a debit balance of $39.99 as of April, 15, 1928.

MISSION OF THE COVENANT
(JEWISH MISSION)

Joseph M. Steele, Treasurer

Statement of Funds April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928

Receipts

Congregations	$2,662.50		
Sabbath Schools & Societies	337.50		
Individuals	500.00		
		$ 3,500.00	
Receipts to Mission Direct		57.50	
Dividends:			
Regular Endowment		128.32	
		$ 3,685.82	
Less Debit Bal. April 15, 1927		346.03	
			$ 3,339.79

Disbursements

Salaries	$ 2,400.00	
Cleaning	97.56	
Repairs	42.78	
Coal	30.00	
Gas	8.60	
Electricity	12.63	
Telephone	40.11	
Fire Insurance	3.75	
Sewing Class Assistant	36.00	
Carfare, Postage and Sta.	32.85	
Books and Literature	43.73	
Adv. Christian Nation	153.38	
Water Rent	8.00	
		$ 2,909.39
		$ 430.40

Respectfully submitted,
JOS. M. STEELE, Treasurer.

THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION

The Board of Church Erection would respectfully report as follows:

We as a Board have endeavored this past year to administer the affairs of the Board in such a way as to best serve the interests of the whole church, to the honor and glory of our God, in building the walls of Zion.

During this past year our total receipts amounted to $2500 in round numbers. The total expenditures amounted to $2800 in round numbers. And we have a balance in the treasury now of about $4100.

There was paid to the Quinter, Kansas, congregation $1500 to aid in the erection of a suitable parsonage. And to the Winnipeg congregation $300 to aid in the repair of their church building. In addition to these two loans, there was a more temporary loan of $950 to the Bellefontaine, Ohio congregation to aid in making much needed repairs on their church building. Said loan to be returned in full as soon as they can sell the rear half of their church lot, which is not being used.

The new policy, which the Board adopted a few years ago is beginning to bear fruit in the way of returns in small amounts from the congregations to which loans were granted. This past year there was repaid into the treasury of the Board $100 each, from Bovina Center, N. Y., New Concord, Ohio, and Topeka, Kan., congregations; three hundred in all, repaid on the principals of the loans granted.

The Fresno, California congregation, under the temporary leadership of J. R. W. Stevenson has taken on new life, and during the past year built a temporary church building which the insurance company appraised at $1500. The lot upon which this church is built is well located, and belongs as yet to Elder John G. Dodds. This whole property could be secured to the church for $1400, and we are in hopes that such an arrangement can be affected in the near future.

For further information concerning the financial affairs of the Board we herewith submit the annual report of our treasurer, Joseph M. Steele.

The amount asked for this year through the Coordinating Committee is $1500.

The Secretary of the Board was appointed to represent the Board before the Coordinating Committee and on the floor of Synod.

The term for which T. M. Slater, Frank L. Stewart, R. J. Bole and Joseph M. Steele were elected has expired and their successors should be elected.

Respectfully submitted,
S. E. GREER, Secretary.

BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION

Joseph M. Steele, Treasurer

Statement of Funds April 15, 1927 to April 15, 1928

Receipts

Congregations	$1,360.62		
Repaid on acct. or Mtge., Topeka, Kan.	100.00		
Repaid on acct. or Mtge., New Concord, Ohio	100.00		
Repaid on acct. or Mtge., Bovina Center, N. Y.,	100.00		
Dividends:			
David Gregg Est.	604.79		
Regular	187.00		
Interest on Account	43.96		
		$ 2,496.37	
Balance, April 15, 1927		4,197.38	
			$ 6,693.75

Disbursements

Loan to Quinter, Kan. Con.	$1,500.00		
Loan to Winnipeg, Canada, Congregation	300.00		
Loan to Bellefontaine, Ohio, Congregation	950.00		
Advertising, Christian Nation	76.69		
			$ 2,826.69
			$ 3,867.06
Liberty Bonds	$ 250.00		

Respectfully submitted,
JOS. M. STEELE, Treasurer.

Mr. Joseph M. Steele, Treasurer,

The Board of Foreign Missions of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir—We have audited your accounts as Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America for the year ended April 15, 1928. All receipts as shown by your books were deposited in bank and all disbursements were supported by proper vouchers. The balances in bank were verified by correspondence with the depositories. The $3,250 U. S. Liberty Bonds, and 10 shares of Missouri State Life Insurance Co., par $10, which are not entered on the books, were verified by examination.

Annexed we submit a statement of the balances in the various funds at April 15, 1928.

Very truly yours,
LYBRAND ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY.

DETAILS OF THE FUNDS OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA, APRIL 15, 1928.

Board of Foreign Missions:		
Syria Hospital Fund	$ 2,667.96	
Mersine Hospital Fund	9,767.90	
Latakia Dwelling Building Fund	4,186.68	
Tarsus Building Fund	6,294.97	
Mersine School Fund	62.94	
J. D. McAnlis Fund	524.06	
Foreign Field Deputation Fund	1,514.60	
J. French Carithers, Memorial Fund	6,052.93	
Foreign Mission, General Fund	2,650.62	
Syrian Mission, Special Fund	2,294.19	
Cyprus Mission, Special Fund	774.76	
China Mission, Special Fund	3,321.25	
		$40,112.86
Jewish Mission Board		$ 430.40
Board of Church Erection		3,867.06
Olive Trees Publication, Overdraft		39.99
Amounts Due Missionaries:		
F. Elma French	$ 12.00	
Rev. W. W. Weir	.50	
Rev. C. E. Caskey	160.00	
		$ 172.50
		$44,542.83
Less, Advances made for Missionaries:		
F. Elma French	$ 200.00	
Elizabeth McElroy	25.90	
Rev. C. E. Caskey	20.65	
Blanche McCrea	50.00	
		$ 296.55
		$44,246.28
Held as follows:		
At Brown Brothers & Co.	$40,789.31*	
At Bank of North America & Trust Co	1,609.50	
At Central National Bank	1,847.47	
		$44,246.28

* Includes $6,517.52 deposited April 19, 1928; $21,900.37 deposited April 20, 1928; and $1,244.24 deposited April 26, 1928.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL

The Board of Control would respectfully report:

Since the last meeting of Synod the Board has held one regular and one special meeting. The first at the home of D. B. Martin and the second at the home of H. G. Patterson. At the regular meeting held October 11th, J. T. Hensleigh was elected president, H. G. Patterson secretary and D. B. Martin, assistant secretary. Thirty applications for aid were received. Thirteen from aged ministers, sixteen from widows and orphans and one from students of theology. Owing to the fact that over $3,500 were received from sources entirely outside of the budget and interest from invested funds, there was a small balance in the treasury for aged ministers and widows and orphans. If the needs of the aged ministers and widows are met, they must have a larger share of the churches budget.

These aged and helpless men and women have served the church faithfully for many years on a barely living wage, and it is the duty of the church to provide for their needs in the time of old age. The Scriptures teach us that "if any provide not for his own, and especially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith and is worse than an infidel." What right have we then to call ourselves Christians, if we neglect our own aged faithful servants, even though we make large contributions to help those who are physically and spiritually poor outside of our own bounds. How can we expect our youth to enter the service of the church when they know that the church will give them a barely living wage during their productive years and then neglect them when old age overtakes them. "Blessed is he that considereth the poor; the Lord will deliver him in the time of trouble."

The time for which Rev. D. B. Martin and Thomas Hensleigh were chosen as members of the Board has expired and their successors should be elected at this meeting of Synod.

H. G. PATTERSON, Secretary.

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA, YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY, 29, 1928.

Receipts

Admission Fees	$	900.00
Bequest, John Reid, Scotland		445.41
Boarding Income		25.30
Congregation Collection		140.75
Dividends		570.61
Reception and Donation Day		742.00
Donations, Societies and Individuals		154.00
Endowment Memorial Rooms		500.00
Manager's Contingent Fund		26.00
Annual Membership Dues		599.00
Member's Fund		2,224.92
Sundry Cash Income		524.08
Interest—		
On Checking Account		6.79
On Savings Account		133.57
On Mortgages		2,165.88
Accounts Receivable		192.60
	$	9,350.91
Withdrawals from Savings Account		2,000.00
Total Receipts		$11,350.91

Expenditures

Burial Expense	$	462.64
Cemetery		35.00
Drugs and Medicines		12.39
Equipment		111.75
Food Supplies		2,512.90
Garden and Grounds		114.12
General Expense		1,315.82
Insurance		44.05
Light and Fuel		1,183.45
Manager's Contingent Fund		29.33
Matron's Expense Fund		900.00
Memorial Room Expense		178.00
Interest paid Memorial Rooms		182.71
Nursing		13.50
Office Expense		218.63
Repairs		187.58
Salaries		2,931.76
Telephone		52.70
Interest paid to Members		802.21
Interest and Miscellaneous		330.11
Total Expenditures		$11,618.65

SUMMARY

Total Receipts	$ 11,350.91	
Add Balance March 1, 1927	452.47	
		$ 11,803.38
Total Expenditures for the year		11,618.65
Balance February 29, 1928		$ 184.73
Excess of Expenditures during year	$ 267.74	

Assets

Cash—		
Mellon Nat'nal Bk. Savings Acct	$ 981.50	
City Deposit Bank Savings Acct	1,000.00	
City Deposit Bank Checking Acct	184.73	
		$ 2,166.23
Real Estate—		
Cemetery Lots	$ 1,175.00	
Home Property	48,464.21	
		$ 49,639.21
Stocks—		
Keystone Driller		180.00
Mortgages Receivable—		
Ethel B. and Frank H. Eckels	10,000.00	
Ethel B. and Frank H. Eckels	5,000.00	
George Frankovich	11,500.00	
Wilford M. Aikin	2,398.00	
William W. and Eliza Davis	1,200.00	
Joseph B. and Sophia Weight	6,000.00	
		$ 36,098.00
Furniture and Fixtures		$ 7,125.00
Equipment		3,254.38
Total Assets		$ 98,462.82

Liabilities

Member's Fund	$ 10,325.54
Memorial Room Furnishings	103.15
Reserve Interest Fund Memorial Rooms	981.50
Perpetual Endowment Memorial Rooms	5,700.00
Manager's Contingent Fund	2.94
Total Liabilities	$ 17,113.13

Summary

Total Assets	$ 98,462.82
Total Liabilities	17,113.13
Excess of Assets	$ 81,349.69

Respectfully submitted,
AGNES E. STEELE, Treasurer.

March 14, 1928.

To the Board of Directors, Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association of North America, Pittsburgh, Pa.

I hereby certify that I have audited the books of the Re-

formed Presbyterian Woman's Association of North America for the year ending February 29, 1928 and have found them to be correct and that the report submitted herewith is a true statement of condition to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I also certify that I have examined the contents of the safe deposit box in the name of the Association at the City Deposit Bank and have found it to contain all stocks and bonds covered by this report.

W. E. RICHARDS, JR., Auditor.

The report of the Committee on Supplies was read by O. F. Thompson, adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

THE COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES

The Presbyteries ask for the time of seven men. The following suggestion as assignments is given:

W. J. Coleman—Pittsburgh, July-September; Ohio, October; Iowa, November; Kansas, December; Pittsburgh, January-March; Ohio, April; New York, May.

J. B. Gilmore—Pittsburgh, July-December; Central Canada, April-May.

W. S. Fulton—Central Canada, June-July; Pittsburgh, October-November; Ohio, the rest of the year.

J. C. McFeeters—Central Canada, July and October; Philadelphia, the rest of the year.

S. F. Kingston—Illinois all the year.

William McFarland—Rochester, June-July.

J. K. Robb—Ohio, June-September; New York, October; Philadelphia, November-December; Pittsburgh, January-May.

James S. McGaw—Pittsburgh, July-December; Ohio, January-May.

G. R. McBurney—Central Canada, August-January; Pittsburgh, February-March; Ohio, May.

R. W. Piper—Pittsburgh, June-November; New York, January; Philadelphia, February; Ohio, November-December.

R. C. Ward—Philadelphia, September-November; Pittsburgh, December-March; New York, April; Ohio, May.

W. M. Doig—Kansas, July-September; Ohio, October-December; Pittsburgh, January-March.

J. R. Latimer—Ohio, June-September; Pittsburgh, April-May; Kansas, rest of year.

Respectfully submitted,
OWEN F. THOMPSON
JOHN K. GAULT
F. F. READE
JAMES A. TEMPLETON
W. H. STEWART

The report of the Committee on Traveling Fund was read by W. J. Ward. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRAVELING FUND

Your Committee having in charge the Traveling Fund would respectfully report:

Balance from 1927 Synod		$ 703.23
Quota received from all congregations		3,601.00
Total		$4,304.23
Total expense of 129 Delegates	$3,995.41	
Total expense of 2 speakers	80.00	
		$4,075.41
Balance		$ 228.82

W. J. WARD, Chairman.

The officers of the Synod were directed to send a letter of thanks to Mr. Elmer Funk, Cashier of Lake City Bank, Warsaw, Indiana, for his kind co-operation in taking care of Synod's Traveling Fund.

The report on Unfinished Business was taken from the table.

Item 23. To review Children's Handbook and proposed revision of Historical Part Testimony.

F. E. Allen submitted the report proposing an entirely new draft to take the place of the original report published in the Appendix of the Minutes of 1927. The matter prepared by the original Committee, of which W. J. McKnight was Chairman, was referred back to that Committee to complete its work. The revision of the Historical Part of the Testimony was referred to a special committee, to be named by the Committee on Nominations, with a view to publication together with Elliott's Handbook and suitable questions.

The cost of printing the report of last year's Committee, $20.50, was ordered paid out of the Literary Fund.

Item 24. On possibility of aliens obtaining citizenship.

Robert Clarke reported having done nothing himself, but introduced Dr. Kate McBurney, who related the results of her personal investigations in Washington. A committee consisting of F. M. Wilson, Joseph M. Steele, Walter McCarroll, Major Linson and Dr. Kate McBurney, was appointed to follow up the information gained by Dr. McBurney. Dr. McBurney's expenses in visiting Washington were ordered paid out of the balance in the Traveling Fund.

Item 14. Fraternal delegate to Scotch and Irish Synods.

A letter from R. J. G. McKnight was read as the report, and was approved.

Item 15. Bible Reading Committee to provide new diplomas. Included in general report of Committee.

Item 16. Professors of Seminary to bring claims of ministry to college students. Attended to.

Item 17. Christian attitude toward war.

The report was submitted by S. E. Greer on behalf of R. C. Wylie, proposing a substitute for the report as published in the Appendix last year. After discussion, the whole matter was laid on the table to be taken up on Friday of next Synod.

Item 19. R. A. M. Steele, Synod's Evangelist and Singer.

The work of Mr. Steele was reported in the report of the Home Mission Board as a Commission on the Department of Young People's Work and Home Resources.

Item 20. Home Mission Conference to act on proposed increase of pastor's salaries. Included in report of the Mission Conference.

Item 21. Deficit in printing 1926 Minutes, and traveling expenses of Walter McCarroll to be paid from Literary Fund. Attended to.

Item 25. Arrangement for Synod. Attended to.

Item 26. To attend Lord's Day Alliance Conference. A. A. Wylie reported his attendance.

Item 27. 400th Anniversary of Patrick Hamilton. F. D. Frazer reported attended to.

Item 28. Correspondence with Canadian Presbyterian Church. Attended to by J. S. Stewart.

Item 29. To write letters of sympathy.

Those present of those appointed to write such letters reported having done so, with one exception.

Item 30. Representative on Board of Managers of Lord's Day Alliance. It was reported that S. R. Boggs had acted in this capacity.

Item 31. Moderator to arrange for memorial service.

This was attended to and the service held at the opening of Synod.

The report on Unfinished Business was adopted as a whole.

A letter from Isaiah Faris was read, expressing his regret at not being able to attend this meeting of Synod, and proposing a collection for the China Famine Relief Fund, and inclosing a dollar for the same. The collection having already been taken, his contribution was added to the amount.

Elder W. H. Stewart, Chairman, reported verbally for the Elder's Conference. Three meetings were held for prayer and consideration of the work of the church.

The moving expenses of the Secretary of Young People's Work and Home Resources were ordered paid and charged as office expenses. The Home Mission Board was appointed a Commission to care for any vacancy which may arise in the Department.

Mr. Tibby was directed to secure 50 copies of the book, "The Menace of Masonry," for sale to the members of the church.

James S. Tibby submitted his report as Stated Clerk, which was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK

Summary

There is enrolled 12 presbyteries, 100 congregations, 12 mission stations, 124 ministers, 409 elders, 388 deacons or trustees, 7 licentiates, 6 theological students, four of these in China, 7821 members in all, 7049 in the home field, 722 in the foreign fields, China reports 407; Nicosia 55; Larnaca 69; Latakia 241. The Sabbath school enrollment is 8096; Young People's Societies 1772; Tithers 2385; parsonages 36.

Congregations

There are 93 in the home field. 69 have pastors, 24 without pastors, 26 congregations report a net gain in membership, 17 no change, 50 a net loss, 26 report not a single accession.

Ministers

There are 124 ministers, 69 are pastors, 6 stated supplies, 5 in the foreign field, 1 in reform work, 6 at Geneva College, 2 in the theological seminary, 1 in Sabbath school work, 10 in secular callings, 12 retired, 2 in home mission work, 3 in outside colleges. John W. F. Carlisle died at Newburgh, N. Y., April 5, 1928; H. G. McConaughy was released from the pastoral charge of Lake Reno congregation Oct. 13, 1927; A. Kilpatrick from Union, Pa., congregation, July 7, 1927; David B. Russell from Utica, O., congregation May 2, 1928; W. J. McBurney from Orlando, Florida congregation, April 19, 1928; W. M. Doig from Miller's Run congregation Aug. 29, 1927; J. M.

Johnston from Connellsville congregation Dec. 31, 1927; J. R. Latimer from Lochiel congregation Oct. 11, 1927; Boyd A. White from Walton, N. Y. congregation Aug. 1, 1927. D. C. Mathews was installed pastor of Greeley, Colo., congregation June 29, 1927; J. M. Coleman of Quinter, Kas., congregation Oct. 12, 1927; E. G. Russell of Syracuse, N. Y. congregation June 21, 1927; M. W. Dougherty was ordained and installed pastor of La Junta, Colo., congregation Nov. 10, 1927; Remo I. Robb of Rehoboth and Washington, Iowa, congregations, Jan. 26, 1928; Roy C. Fullerton of New Alexanderia, Pa., congregation Oct. 18, 1927; R. H. McKelvey of Lochiel, Canada, congregation May 31, 1928.

Communicants

Seven thousand forty nine members are reported in the home field, a net decrease of 153. Central Canada presbytery reports a net gain of 12; Colorado of 18; Pacific Coast of 16; Illinois a net loss of 13; Iowa of 4; New York of 25; Ohio of 19; Philadelphia of 16; Pittsburgh of 12; Kansas of 69; Rochester of 2. Eighty were certified to other congregations, 106 joined other denominations; 125 passed away; a total decrease of 480 is reported as against 509 last year. One hundred twenty three joined the mother church, 48 came from other denominations and 79 from the world. A total increase of 359 is reported as against 417 of the previous year.

Contributions

83% of the Budget of $100,000.00 was contributed according to the figures of the 3 general treasurers, by individuals and congregations, to this was added $7,042.00 from the payment of the Brooklyn, N. Y., church mortgage making some 90%. This is $11.86 per member against $11.81 of last year. $34,012.00 was contributed for Foreign Missions work or $4.82 per member against $4.78 of the previous year. Reports of Congregational treasurers show collections for Bible Society $1,960.00, National Reform $3,558.00, Pastor's Salary $133,635.00, Budget $89,210.00, Miscellaneous $155,195 or total contributions of $383,558.00. This is $54.41 per member as against $49.52 of last year.

Certified copies of the 1926 synodical minutes will be deposited in the deposit vault of the Second National Bank of N. S. Pittsburgh.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES S. TIBBY, Stated Clerk.

Recess was taken till 7:00 o'clock, with prayer by W. J. Anderson.

TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 12, 1928

Synod reconvened at 7:00 o'clock, was called to order by the Moderator, and opened with singing a verse of Psalm and prayer by Robert Clarke.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read, corrected, and adopted.

Dr. J. S. McGaw addressed the Court for ten minutes on the work of the church.

Mrs. Agnes E. Steele read the report of the Woman's Association, prepared by the Secretary, Mrs. Thos. H. Martin. The report was approved, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

To the Moderator and Members of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.

Dear Fathers and Brethren: We respectfully present this, the thirty-first annual report of the activities of the Home for the Aged, which is our especial charge.

The continued goodness of Our Heavenly Father has been very marked during the year that has just closed; for while business, industry, and agriculture have all suffered because of the long continued business depression, the members of the Home have not wanted for one good thing. And altho the age of some of the members has reached far beyond the limit set by the Psalmist, the health of the members has been exceptionally good. Two members, whose admission to the Home was reported last year, remained with us but a short time and then answered the call to come to the eternal home which Our Lord has provided for His loved ones. The vacancies caused by the passing of Mrs. Mary Mercer and Mrs. Araminta Morrow have been closed by the coming into the Home of Mrs. Bella Boggs and Mrs. Mary Sickenger.

Donation and Reception day has become an occasion that is embraced by both old and young; Covenanters, former Covenanters, and other friends as an opportunity to meet old acquaintances and form new ones. The impression left by these generous hearted friends is both agreeable and lasting.

We would impress upon members of the church and other friends, the desirability of making frequent visits to the Home. Many of the members have no acquaintances living in the vicinity, and some are unable to leave the premises. To all the members such visits are a real treat; and a treat that will be shared by the visitor.

Those who have not had the privilege of being present cannot realize how greatly the diversions afforded in the way of entertainment and socials are appreciated by our members, and it is a pleasure to record, that quite a number of persons and organizations thus contribute to the delight of those who are prevented from partaking in the social affairs on the outside. The Sabbath school class taught by Mr. John Crawford Park of the Eighth United Presbyterian Church presented a very enjoyable entertainment at Hallowe'en. At another time a young girl, a friend of Mrs. Ingram, delighted the Home Folks by her beautiful singing. The Girl Scouts of the Hill left a splendid impression by their much appreciated entertainment.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Pittsburgh Con-

gregation is setting a fine example for similar organizations by making a visit to the Home an annual event; this is also the practice of the Young People's Society of Allegheny congregation. At the Holiday season the Junior Society of Allegheny congregation visited the Home, trimmed a Christmas tree, and gave to each member of the Home a present.

A very enjoyable occasion and one that deserves attention was the birthday party arranged by Mrs. McKittrick to celebrate the ninetieth anniversary of the birth of Mrs. Anna Armor to which the managers were invited. The presence of Mr. R. A. M. Steele and his vocal contribution added much to the success of the party. It was whispered that our worthy treasurer was also celebrating her birthday.

Credit is due Mrs. McKittrick for the constant effort that she makes to create and preserve a real home-like atmosphere in the Home and to provide such things as will brighten the lives and add to the enjoyment of those under her care. At particular times and especially at the Holiday season she makes a definite effort to provide the kind of food that is customary upon such occasions in private homes. Her thoughtfulness is appreciated by the members, many of whom willingly and cheerfully render valuable assistance in preparing food, caring for the dining room, and helping in the laundry.

The following ministers delivered greatly appreciated discourses at various times: Delber H. Elliott, D. D., Rev. J. B. Willson, Rev. A. A. Wylie, and Mr. Frank Lathom, Licentiate.

The Sabbath Service Committee, of which Mrs. W. A. Russell is chairman, introduced an innovation this year which is deserving of especial mention and commendation. The Young People's Societies of the nearby congregations were invited to conduct prayer meetings and they did so, greatly to the delight of those able to be present.

The usual mid week prayer meeting has been conducted under the care of Mr. L. C. McWilliams.

On the afternoon of the Sabbath upon which the Allegheny congregation celebrated the Lord's Supper, Rev. E. L. McKnight, with the assistant, Rev. Frank L. Stewart, and the elders of the congregations, visited the Home and administered the Sacrament to those Covenanter members who were not able to attend the regular service.

The outstanding event of the year was the declining by Mrs. W. J. Coleman, who had been president of this organization for thirteen years, to serve longer in that capacity.

Mrs. Coleman was chosen in December of 1914 to succeed our first president, Mrs. Mary McKee Morton, the daughter of the Founder of the Home for the Aged; and during the interval she has devoted the best that she had without measure, to the advancement of the best interests of the Home. Her time, counsel, administrative ability, and other talents were freely laid upon the altar of sacrifice that this Home might indeed be a real haven of refuge for those whose advanced years made it necessary that they seek the comfort and repose that it offered to them. Her name will ever be closely linked with the work carried on in this corner of the Lord's Vineyard.

In recognition of her long years of faithful service and of the deep interest that she has taken in the affairs of the Home, the Association elected Mrs. Coleman, Honorary President for Life.

Mrs. Annabelle McKee, whose long and intimate participation in the affairs of the Home and the functions of the managers qualified her for the office, was elected to succeed Mrs. Coleman and she is now serving acceptably as our third president.

During the past year the list of Life Members was increased by the membership of Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, thru the generosity of her daughters, the Misses Rose and Eva Thompson; Mrs. H. F. Martin and Mrs. J. Guy Black by the generosity of Mrs. M. M. Black; Mrs. Emma McAnlis by the Women's Missionary Society of College Hill congregation; Mrs. Ada Chestnut, by Mrs. Annabelle McKee; Mrs. Elizabeth Ritchie, by Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Boyd; Mr. Chas. H. Haslett, by Mrs. C. H. Haslett; and Miss M. J. Gordon and Mrs. J. A. Riddering by their own contributions.

Our thanks are due the members of the Medical Staff and Dr. W. A. Russell, Dental surgeon, for the generosity that they have shown in the work of caring for the ills and pains of the Members of the Home.

We recognize the obligation we owe to the many persons and organizations, including ministers, physicians, our matron and her staff and many others without whose co-operation the conducting of the Home would be much more difficult if not impossible. Above all we are conscious that, "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it," and that it is to His loving kindness that we are indebted for the good things that have been possible this year.

Our Treasurer, Mrs. Agnes E. Steele has been appointed to represent the Women's Association before the co-ordinating committee.

Respectfully submitted,
The Reformed Presbyterian Women's Association.
MRS. THOS. H. MARTIN, Sec'y.

The report of the Committee on Time and Place of Meeting was submitted by T. C. McKnight, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

Your Committee on Time and Place would respectfully report:

The Synod hereby records a hearty vote of thanks to Winona Assembly and the Management of the Westminster Hotel for our entertainment this year. The Synod also expresses thanks to the committee on arrangements for the many thoughtful provisions for the efficiency of the court.

We have not received any invitation from Covenanter congregations for the next meeting of Synod. We did receive one invitation from the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce. Having received a hearty invitation from Mr. Homer Rodeheaver to meet again in Winona Lake;

We therefore, recommend that Synod meet at the Westminster Hotel, Winona Lake, Indiana on Wednesday, June 5, 1929 at 2:00 p. m.

Respectfully,
T. C. McKNIGHT
J. B. WILLSON
M. W. DOUGHERTY
B. C. TERRY

The Committee on Nominations, E. A. Crooks, Chairman, made a final report. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

The Committee on Nominations would respectfully report:

To write letters of sympathy: J. C. McFeeters to write Dr. Thos. McFall; F. M. Foster to write Dr. R. C. Wylie; E. A. Crooks to write Mrs. R. C. Reed; H. G. Foster to write Dr. R. Hargrave; J. M. Wylie to write Dr. W. W. Carithers; D. B. Martin to write D. B. Elsey; W. S. Fulton to write Isaiah Faris.

W. J. Sanderson to be the Moderator's Alternate in preaching the sermon opening the next meeting of Synod.

Committee to confer with O. F. Thompson with reference to data on lives of missionaries: M. S. McMillan, M. R. Jameson, W. O. Ferguson.

Membership of Witness Committee: R. J. G. McKnight, J. C. Slater, J. B. Willson and T. H. Martin to succeed themselves; Paul D. McCracken to take the place of D. C. Mathews.

Committee to arrange a uniform system for handling congregational finances: J. W. Anderson, R. M. Young, R. A. M. Steele.

Committee to arrange for Young People's Work and Home Resources: J. Boyd Tweed, D. B. Martin, E. K. Patton, E. L. McKnight, E. J. M. Dickson, W. W. Weir, Raymond Joseph.

Committee to consider establishing a church paper: W. J. Coleman, J. H. Pritchard, F. M. Wilson, R. H. Martin, J. M. Wylie, T. H. Reed, T. H. Boyd.

Committee on memorial service for Dr. R. C. Reed: To preside, H. G. Patterson. Addresses, W. S. Wilson and F. M. Foster. To be held 11:30 to 12 M. Saturday.

Committee to prepare program for the Hundredth Meeting of Synod: Paul Coleman, M. R. Jameson, D. R. Taggart, D. M. Dodds, John A. Hemphill.

Committee to arrange for a new edition of the Psalter: D. B. Martin, Chairman, A. A. Wylie, J. Boyd Tweed, J. K. Robb, R. A. M. Steele, Mrs. J. G. Reed, Mrs. S. E. Greer. We recommend that this committee be empowered to make such changes as they deem necessary and to publish the next edition of the Psalter; that they be directed to revise and enlarge the Index, and that they be directed to provide 100 copies in special red binding for the use of Synod; that all expenses connected with the publication be drawn from the Literary Fund.

Committee to consider the reapportionment of the Budget

among the Presbyteries and report at next Synod: R. M. Young, Chairman, Dr. Ralph W. Duncan, E. G. Russell, J. C. Mathews, M. K. Carson, R. J. Bole, A. F. Reed, D. T. Torrens, R. G. Martin, John M. Dodds.

Membership of Temperance Committee: Paul Coleman to succeed himself; M. R. Jameson to succeed F. F. Reade.

Committee on Children's Handbook: D. H. Elliott, J. M. Coleman, Mrs. J. S. Martin.

Respectfully submitted,
E. A. CROOKS
D. B. MARTIN
R. C. ADAMS
T. H. BOYD
ROBERT L. ORR

The report of the special committee on establishing a church paper was read by W. J. Coleman, considered item by item, amended, adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PAPER

The matter of establishing a church paper was referred to your committee. After carefully canvassing the situation, we make the following report:

1. That a new church paper be established.
2. That the editor be John H. Pritchard; and that there be associated with him as advisory counsel Findley M. Wilson, W. J. Coleman, Delber H. Elliott, who shall also be associate editors; these appointments to continue for a period of two years.
3. That the name, size, policies, content, subscription price, and business management be determined on by the editorial staff.
4. That the editor, John H. Pritchard, be paid a salary of $1600 which amount includes an allowance of $300 for office help.
5. That an apportionment from the budget not exceeding $5000 be made for the maintenance of the paper, this including the allowance for the salary of the editor. The associate editors are to receive no compensation for their service.
6. There was also referred to your committee the proposal that Sabbath School lesson helps be provided for the church. The committee deems such an undertaking impracticable under present circumstances.

Signed by the following members of the committee:
W. J. COLEMAN
E. A. CROOKS
F. M. WILSON
J. H. PRITCHARD
J. M. WYLIE
R. H. MARTIN
T. H. BOYD
T. H. REED

FINANCIAL STATEMENT CHRISTIAN NATION

April 1, 1927—April 1, 1928

Receipts:		
Subscriptions	$3,813.43	
Advertising: Church	5,000.00	
General	646.44	
Total Receipts		$ 9,459.87
Disbursements:		
Rent	$ 660.00	
Telephone & Telegraph	152.40	
Postage	250.00	
Salaries & Office Help	1,500.00	
Paper for printing C. N.	777.36	
Printing C. N.	4,992.98	
Electros	59.46	
Advertising Commission	82.77	
Traveling Expenses	323.88	
Office Sundries	264.85	
Interest	272.00	
Total Disbursements		$ 9,335.70
Balance		$ 124.17

The Foreign Board was strongly urged to consider discontinuing the publication of "Olive Trees," that the church may be united in the support of the new paper.

The report of the Committee to canvass the vote on the Overture was submitted by W. J. Coleman, adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OVERTURE

The committee to canvass the returns on the overture submitted by the Synod two years ago, and postponed for one year by last Synod, would respectfully report: that the clerk of Synod has placed in our hands the returns submitted to last Synod, and those that have come in since that time.

In addition to these returns, three papers were referred last year to this committee; one from the session of the Rehoboth, Pennsylvania congregation, requesting delay in deciding on the adoption of the overture in order to give time for further discussion; one from Ohio Presbytery, suggesting headings for the revised chapters and also for the different sections; and one from the Pacific Coast Presbytery giving the vote of that Presbytery on the overture.

This year a paper was referred to the Committee coming from a member of Colorado Presbytery criticizing the political position of the Church.

In canvassing the returns from the sessions of the Church we note that according to the report of the Stated Clerk, there are ninety-four congregations in the Church. The number of

votes necessary to constitute a majority, forty-eight. The returns show that sixty sessions have voted for the overture and five against it.

We recommend that since the majority of all the sessions in the Church have voted in favor of the overture, the Synod declare the overture adopted and direct that the chapters in the overture be inserted in the proper place in the next edition of the Declaration and Testimony of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.

With regard to the Memorial from the Rehoboth, Pennsylvania, session, we note that its request has been granted in the postponement of action by last Synod.

The paper giving the vote of the Pacific Coast Presbytery did not affect results as the vote of sessions only were counted.

With respect to the Memorial from Ohio Presbytery suggesting headings of Chapters and sections, we recommend that these suggestions be held until a new edition of the Testimony is issued.

With regard to the paper from a member of the Church in Colorado Presbytery, we recommend that no action be taken.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. COLEMAN
W. J. McKNIGHT
J. G. McELHINNEY
F. E. ALLEN
A. A. WYLIE
W. A. AIKIN
T. M. SLATER
M. S. McMILLAN
W. J. SANDERSON
W. J. McBURNEY
H. G. PATTERSON

J. T. Mitchell asked that his dissent be recorded against the adoption of the Overture.

M. S. McMillan submitted the report of the special committee to confer with O. F. Thompson in re data on lives of missionaries. The report was adopted and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY DATA

The task assigned your committee was to determine what missionary data should be compiled with the data bringing the history of the ministry to date.

In view of the following facts:

I. The purpose for which your special committee was appointed was to "bring the history of the ministry to date."

II. The overwhelming majority of the missionaries are never ordained so belong to a different classification.

III. The material bringing the history of the ministry to date will probably be sufficient to make a sizeable volume.

IV. We are rapidly approaching, if we have not already reached the time, when there is, or will be, sufficient data to make a sizeable volume on the history of our missions, the preparation of which belongs to the province of our Mission Boards.

Therefore we recommend:

That no missionary data be compiled with the data bringing the history of the ministry up to date, except that the names of the missionaries together with their fields of labor and periods of service shall be included in an appendix for reference.

Respectfully submitted,
M. S. McMILLAN
W. O. FERGUSON
M. R. JAMESON

A communication from the Lord's Day Alliance was read by A. A. Wylie. The recommendations accompanying the communication were adopted and are as follows:

WHEREAS the attacks upon the Christian Sabbath have never been more persistently vigorous and the need of organized efforts successfully to meet attacks has never been so imperative, therefore be it

RESOLVED that we highly commend the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States, a child of the Church, and its official representative in this important work, and rejoice with it in the large measure of success that has attended its activities throughout the nation.

RESOLVED that we reappoint for membership in the Board of Managers of the Alliance Mr. Samuel R. Boggs, of Philadelphia, and Rev. Walter McCarroll, New York City, to be an additional member of said Board of Managers; and we call upon our churches and people to give both moral and financial support to the Alliance and its auxiliary societies.

RESOLVED further that we call upon our pastors to preach frequently on the subject of the Sabbath and the present day issues involved, and to present the cause to their Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies.

RESOLVED that we heartily commend the movement for the early enactment of the Lankford Sunday Rest Bill for the District of Columbia, or a similar bill, and again call upon our people to use their influence toward bringing about the enactment of the bill at the earliest possible time.

The report of the Committee on Devotional Exercises was adopted at the opening session, but thru an oversight was not included in the minutes of that session, and is here presented.

COMMITTEE ON DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES

Your committee on Devotional Exercises respectfully reports the following program:

SUBJECT: JEHOVAH, THE COVENANT GOD, Exodus 3:15

Let us each morning give glory to God, and praise His Name for mercies which He has already bestowed on us; and let us ask Him in faith for favors which we desire to enjoy.

Thursday, June 7th.

THE PRESENCE OF GOD—Prayer that God will meet with us and guide us. Leader: M. W. Dougherty.

Friday, June 8th.

THE PATIENCE OF GOD—Prayer that God will bear with us in our unworthiness, and enable us to bear with others. Leader: Elder R. O. George.

Saturday, June 9th.

THE PEACE OF GOD—Prayer that God will give us rest here and hereafter. Leader, R. I. Robb.

Monday, June 11th.

THE POWER OF GOD—Prayer that God will strengthen us and fit us for His work. Leader: Elder Robert Dill.

Tuesday, June 12th.

THE PURPOSE OF GOD—Prayer that God will use us for His glory. Leader: R. C. Fullerton.

Wednesday, June 13th.

THE PITY OF GOD—Prayer that God will help us, and make us helpful to others. Leader: Elder from New York Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. WILLSON
R. A. BLAIR
J. S. STEWART
A. A. CARSON
R. H. HAYES

D. H. Elliott, D. C. Mathews and R. W. Redpath were named a committee on arrangements for next Synod.

J. D. Edgar was appointed to call the meeting of the Co-ordinating Committee next year.

A letter from A. C. Gregg, who was present at Synod last year as fraternal delegate from the Scotch Synod, was heard with much pleasure, and the Moderator and Clerk appointed to reply. The officers of Synod were also directed to take under advisement Mr. Gregg's suggestion of another Covenanter Convention in Scotland in 1930.

D. R. Taggart brought the greetings of the Pre-Synodic Bible Conference to the Synod. It was directed that a copy of the program of the Conference be printed in the Appendix of the Minutes of Synod.

The thanks of the Court were extended to the Moderator and Clerks for their services during the Synod.

The Synod also extended a vote of thanks to Mrs. J. W. Pritchard for her faithful work in editing the Christian Nation for several months past.

The Moderator expressed his gratitude to the Synod and to those who have in any way contributed to its success.

Synod adjourned with prayer by the Moderator and singing the 133rd Psalm, after which the benediction was pronounced by the Moderator, who declared the Court adjourned to meet at Winona Lake, Indiana, at 2:00 p. m., Wednesday, June 5, 1929.

P. J. McDONALD, Moderator
D. C. MATHEWS, Clerk
D. B. MARTIN, Assistant Clerk.

MEMORIALS

REV. JOHN W. CARLISLE

Rev. John W. Carlisle was born in Newburgh, New York, September 22, 1858, and entered into his rest April 5, 1928. He received his education in Newburgh public schools, in Columbia College, and in the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary. He was called to New Alexandria congregation, and was installed June 20, 1884. At the death of his father he was called to the pastorate of First Newburgh. He demitted his charge of New Alexandria congregation January 26, 1888, and was installed pastor of First Newburgh, June 26, 1888. For forty years he ministered to that congregation. His father had been pastor for thirty-eight years. Thus father and son filled out the long measure of seventy-eight years in the one congregation—a record never before known in the Covenanter Church, if indeed in any church.

Mr. Carlisle was an unusually diligent student of the Word of God. Probably he did not excel in Hebrew: but he was a fine Greek scholar, and was not satisfied until he had searched the deep meaning hidden in the original tongue. He was conscientiously earnest in his preparation for the pulpit, and he brought forth things new and old from God's rich treasures.

Mr. Carlisle was a man of prayer. He looked unto his Heavenly Father for guidance and strength. Isaiah 50 and 4 was made his earnest petition, 'Lord, give me the tongue of the learned, that I may know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary. Waken me morning by morning—waken mine ear to hear as the learned.' He prayed much, and was most earnest at the throne of grace. Indeed, prayer was one of his special gifts.

Mr. Carlisle was not what might be called an active Presbyter. In Church courts he talked infrequently. But at the same time he was interested in actions taken. He was rather one whose heart was in his ministerial work in his congregation, and in influencing for good the community in which he lived and surrounding regions. He was well known in his city.

Mr. Carlisle was made a member of the Foreign Board by the Synod of 1919, and he was a helpful member. He was greatly interested in the spread of the Gospel in the regions beyond, and led his congregation in large giving to this great cause. The Bible Society, also, had a large place in his heart and to it he and his people contributed liberally.

Mr. Carlisle's work on earth has ended. He has gone to the General Assembly and will not be back. May the grace of God comfort and sustain his home circle, the congregation to which he so long ministered, and his co-laborers and friends.

F. M. FOSTER.

REV. ROBERT CAMERON REED, D. D.

Robert Cameron Reed was born at Ingleside, Pa., April 25, 1860, and departed this life June 7, 1928. He was the third son of Rev. Robert and Mary Walkinshaw Reed.

Mr. Reed graduated from Geneva College in 1885, entered the Allegheny Theological Seminary that same year, was licensed to preach April 11, 1888, and was ordained to the gospel ministry May 23, 1890, when he became pastor of the Old Bethel congregation at Houston, Illinois. He had married Miss Margaret A. Bole of Beaver Falls on April 8, 1890.

In 1896 he became pastor of the Walton, N. Y., congregation; in 1909, of that at Cambridge, Mass.; and in 1916, of the Central Allegheny congregation, in which pastorate he continued until its union in February, 1928, with the Pittsburgh congregation, to form the Central Pittsburgh congregation, he becoming with Dr. D. H. Elliott co-pastor of this congregation, and so continuing until his death, which occurred after an illness of nearly two years.

While Dr. Reed had been very active in promoting and planning for the union of these two congregations, he was never permitted to appear in person before the united congregation. His last sermon was preached to the Central Allegheny congregation on January 1, 1928.

Dr. Reed was Moderator of the Synod of 1926, and in 1927 his Alma Mater, Geneva College, conferred on him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. A few years earlier he had written the history of the Brookland congregation, of which his father had been one of the pastors.

Dr. Reed was careful and painstaking in his pulpit work, and had a personality that endeared him as pastor to his people. He leaves his widow, three sons, and one daughter to mourn his loss, all of whom are commended by the Synod to God and to the word of His grace.

C. A. DODDS.

APPENDIX

SEVENTH PRESYNODIC CONFERENCE OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Winona Lake, Indiana, May 30 to June 4, 1928.

Conference text: "But if from thence thou shalt seek the Lord thy God, thou shalt find him, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul."—Deut. 4:29.

Mornings

8:45 Devotional study of John's Gospel ——O. F. Thompson

Minor Prophets

9:45 Wednesday—Obadiah ——P. J. McDonald
Thursday—Zephaniah.
Friday—Micah ——D. B. Martin
Saturday—Amos ——G. M. Robb
Monday—Jonah ——M. S. McMillan
10:45 Recreation ——F. F. Reade

Doctrinal Discussion

11:00 Wednesday—Why exclude musical instruments from the worship of God?
Thursday—Why use scriptural psalmody exclusively? ——F. D. Frazer
Friday—Missionary Hour ——Dr. Kate McBurney
Saturday—Do present-day conditions justify membership in oathbound secret orders? ——F. F. Reade
Monday—Do changing world conditions demand of us a change of creed?
Paper ——W. W. Weir
Address ——M. K. Carson

Evenings

Wednesday—Conditions of approach into God's presence ——H. G. Patterson
Thursday—Devotional service ——Mrs. Agnes Steele
Progress of Christ's kingdom within the past year ——D. R. Taggart
Reports from congregations —By Representatives Present
Friday—Devotional service —Mrs. Anna George Martin
What blessing is God willing to bestow upon us in the new year? ——J. C. Mathews
Y. P. Plans for the coming year —M. Wylie Dougherty
Saturday—Devotional service
Scriptural observance of the Sabbath —W. O. Ferguson
Monday—Devotional service.
Benefits of fellowship in a devotional conference.

Sabbath Services

9:45 Sabbath School Lesson ——M. R. Jameson
10:45 Exposition of Psalm ——W. A. Aikin
11:00 The Book of Zachariah ——J. M. Coleman
3:00 Prayer and Testimony ——R. A. M. Steele
6:30 Young People's Meeting.
7:30 Sermon ——J. M. Wylie

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Stated Clerk—Mr. J. S. Tibby, 209 Ninth Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Rev. J. M. Johnston, Knox Academy, Selma, Alabama.

Superintendent of Indian Mission—

W. W. Carithers, D. D., Emeritus, Verona, Pa., D. D. Leechburg Road.

Rev. R. C. Adams, in charge, Apache, Oklahoma.

In Charge of Jewish Mission—

Misses Annie and Elizabeth Forsyth, 800 South Fifth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Witness—W. J. Coleman, D. D., Glenshaw, Pa., R. D. 2.

Temperance—Rev. Paul Coleman, 4202 Adams Street, Kansas City, Kas.

International Relations—R. H. Martin, D. D., 3228 Sixth Avenue, Beaver Falls, Pa.

Sabbath Schools—Rev. J. G. McElhinney, 1295 South Ogden Street, Denver, Colorado.

Bible Reading—Rev. F. F. Reade, 650 Agnes Street, Winnipeg, Can.

Co-ordinating—To be convened by Rev. J. D. Edgar, Sterling, Kas.

Synod's Board of Trustees— **Term Expires**

Oliver Wylie, William Blair, John M. Allen ---------- 1929
Wm. J. Ward, Robt. M. Young, J. W. Anderson ---------- 1930
Jas. S. Tibby, J. H. McBurney, T. H. Boyd ---------- 1931

Secretary and Treasurer, J. S. Tibby, 209 Ninth Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Stated meetings in Treasurer's office on the second Thursday of February, May, August and November.

Foreign Mission Board— **Term Expires**

M. M. Pearce, D. D., T. M. Slater, D. D., Rev. R. A. Blair, Evan W. Jones, A. J. Harding, W. H. Linson ---- 1929
F. M. Wilson, D. D., F. M. Foster, Ph. D., J. C. McFeeters, D. D., R. J. Bole, S. R. Boggs, Prof. Ralph W. Duncan, Ph. D. ---------- 1930
Walter McCarroll, D. D., S. E. Greer, D. D., Rev. F. L. Stewart, Joseph M. Steele, W. J. Beatty, Wm. Park ---------- 1931

Corresponding Secretary, F. M. Wilson, D. D., 2410 North Marshall Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Board of Home Missions— **Term Expires**

R. C. Wylie, LL. D., W. J. Coleman, D. D., William Blair, D. C. Ward ---------- 1929
E. L. McKnight, D. D., Rev. R. A. Blair, Rev. A. A. Wylie, J. S. Tibby, T. H. Martin ---------- 1930
J. C. Slater, D. D., D. H. Elliott, D. D., Rev. S. G. Conner, Rev. J. B. Willson, Rev. J. G. Reed ---------- 1931

President, E. L. McKnight, D. D., 3 Allemac Avenue, Bellevue Branch, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Stated meetings 209 Ninth Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., on the third Monday in June, Sept., Nov., Jan., Mch., and May.

Jewish Mission Board— **Term Expires**

F. M. Wilson, D. D., R. W. Duncan, Ph. D., Susan Wiggins, M. D., John Calderwood, Mrs. J. C. Graham ---------- 1929
Jos. M. Steele, J. R. McMullin, Mrs. M. S. Metheny, John Crozier ---------- 1930
S. E. Greer, D. D., Rev. F. L. Stewart, Ellsworth Jackson, Miss Sarah Archer ---------- 1931

Secretary, Susan Wiggins, M. D.

Board of Church Erection— **Term Expires**

F. M. Wilson, D. D., F. M. Foster, Ph. D., Evan W. Jones ---------- 1929
Walter McCarroll, D. D., S. E. Greer, D. D., S. R. Boggs ---------- 1930
T. M. Slater, D. D., Rev. F. L. Stewart, R. J. Bole, Joseph M. Steele ---------- 1931

Secretary, S. E. Greer, D. D., 206 South 43rd Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Board of Control— **Term Expires**

J. P. Baird, David Cummings ---- 1929
Rev. H. G. Patterson, S. O. Carson ---- 1930
O. L. Samson, A. F. Reid ---- 1931
Rev. D. B. Martin, Thomas Hensleigh ---- 1932

Secretary, Rev. H. G. Patterson, Morning Sun, Iowa.
Annual meeting second Tuesday of October.

Board of Superintendents of Theological Seminary—

Term Expires

W. J. Coleman, D. D., M. M. Pearce, D. D., E. L. McKnight, D. D., T. S. Trumbull ---- 1929
F. M. Wilson, D. D., F. M. Foster, Ph. D., Rev. W. T. K. Thompson, T. H. Martin ---- 1930
Rev. J. B. Willson, Rev. Robert Park, Knox M. Young, D. H. Elliott, D. D. ---- 1931

Secretary, Rev. J. B. Willson, 10 South Avenue, Wilkinsburg, Pa.
Annual meeting 9:00 a. m. first Tuesday of May.

Board of Corporators of Geneva College— **Term Expires**

Members chosen by Synod—
D. H. Elliott, D. D. ---- 1929
James S. Tibby ---- 1930
Robert A. M. Steele ---- 1931

Members chosen by Corporators—
G. M. Robb, D. D., F. M. Wilson, D. D., Rev. J. G. Reed, J. D. McAnlis ---- 1929
A. Kilpatrick, D. D., R. C. Wylie, LL. D., T. H. Boyd, T. S. Trumbull ---- 1930
J. R. Wylie, D. D., E. A. Crooks, D. D., Rev. A. A. Wylie, J. H. McBurney ---- 1931

Members appointed by Presbyteries—
Illinois, Rev. W. G. Robb ---- 1929
Iowa, Rev. D. Bruce Martin ---- 1929
Kansas, Rev. E. K. Patton ---- 1929
Central Canada, Rev. F. F. Reade ---- 1930
Colorado, D. C. Mathews, D. D. ---- 1930
New York, W. J. McKnight, D. D. ---- 1930
Pacific Coast, Rev. Samuel Edgar ---- 1930
Pittsburgh, R. J. G. McKnight, D. D. ---- 1930
Ohio, Rev. T. C. McKnight ---- 1931
Philadelphia, S. E. Greer, D. D. ---- 1931
Rochester, Rev. J. M. Rutherford ---- 1931

G. M. Robb, D. D., Secretary, 405 East Second Street, Bloomington, Indiana.

Board of Trustees of Geneva College— **Term Expires**

T. M. Slater, D. D., D. H. Elliott, D. D., D. C. Mathews, D. D., Rev. J. G. Reed, Rev. R. A. Blair, H. L. Smith, Ph. D., J. M. Blackwood, M. D., W. J. Sterrett, M. D., Joseph M. Steele, J. H. McBurney, J. Walker Wilson, R. M. Young, Miss Mary McKnight, Mrs. J. S. Tibby, Mrs. Marie L. Stormont ---- 1929

Alumni **Business Men**

S. C.Milligan, M. D., Eugene S. Hoopes ____1929
Ross E. Taggart, Judge George A. Baldwin ____1930
Charles Z. Bell D. D., Charles R. May, Attorney ____1931
President, R. M. Young, 324 Dickson Ave., Ben Avon, Pa.
Secretary, Rev. J. G. Reed, New Galilee, Pa.

Witness Committee— **Term Expires**

W. J. Coleman, D. D., E. L. McKnight, D. D., Oliver Wylie ____1929
Rev. Robert Park, Rev. J. Boyd Tweed, J. H. McBurney, J. S. Tibby ____1930
R. J. G. McKnight, D. D., J. C. Slater, D. D., Rev. Paul D. McCracken, Rev. J. B. Willson, T. H. Martin ____1931

Reformed Presbyterian Women's Association—

President, Mrs. George A. McKee, 2430 Perrysville Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Secretary, Mrs. T. H. Martin.
Treasurer, Mrs. Agnes E. Steele, 129 East End Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do give and bequeath to the Board of Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America

____dollars to be credited to endowment (or current account, according to wish of donor) of the following schemes:

Real Estate

I do give and devise and bequeath to the Board of Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America its successors and assigns forever, all that certain piece

of land situate in____

____the proceeds from the same to be devoted to the endowment (or current account, according to the wish of the donor) of the following schemes:

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Central Canada

Moderator ——— Rev. H. G. McConaughy
Clerk and Supplies ——— Rev. F. F. Reade

Congregation	Minister or Correspondents	Address
Delburne	H. G. McConaughy, S. S.	Delburne, Alta, Can.
Lake Reno	L. H. Turner, Cor.	Glenwood, Minn.
Regina	J. M. Alexander	R. R. No. 1
Winnipeg	F. F. Reade	650 Agnes Street

China

Moderator ——— Rev. W. M. Robb
Clerk ——— Rev. Chue Hon Shang
English Clerk ——— Rev. E. C. Mitchell

Lo Ting	Chung On Tai	Lo Ting, South China
Tak Hing	Chue Hon Shang	Tak Hing, South China
T'aar P'eny	Organized 1927	
	E. C. Mitchell	Tak Hing, South China
	W. M. Robb	Lo Ting, South China

Colorado

Moderator ——— Rev. J. G. McElhinney
Clerk ——— D. C. Mathews, D. D.

Denver	J. G. McElhinney	1295 South Ogden St.
Greeley	D. C. Mathews	1505 Tenth Ave.
La Junta	M. W. Dougherty	114 East Third St.
	J. B. Gilmore	
	H. B. McMillan	1316 13th Ave., Greeley
	A. I. Robb	5040 Fulton Ave. Van Nuys, Calif.

Illinois

Moderator ——— Rev. J. C. Mitchel
Clerk ——— Rev. M. K. Carson
Supplies ——— G. M. Robb, D. D.

Bethel	M. K. Carson	411 N. Vine St., Sparta, Illinois
Bloomington	G. M. Robb	405 E. 2nd St., Bloomington, Ind.
Oakdale	J. M. Wylie	Oakdale, Ill.
Old Bethel	W. G. Robb	Houston, Ill.
Princeton	W. J. McBurney	738 E. State St., Princeton, Ind.
Selma	J. M. Johnston, S. S.	914 Mabry St., Selma, Alabama
	J. C. Mitchel	Fresno, California
	S. F. Kingston	319 Selma Ave., Selma, Alabama
	J. K. Robb	203 31st St., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Iowa

Moderator ---------- Rev. F. E. Allen
Clerk ---------- Rev. P. J. McDonald

Congregation	Minister or Correspondents	Address
Chicago	P. J. McDonald	6552 University Ave.
Hopkinton	F. E. Allen	Hopkinton, Iowa
Morning Sun	H. G. Patterson	Morning Sun, Iowa
Rehoboth	Remo I. Robb	Wyman, Iowa
Sharon	D. Bruce Martin	Morning Sun, Iowa
Vernon	E. I. Dewey, Cor.	Mukwonago, Wis.
Washington	Remo I. Robb	Wyman, Iowa
	W. C. Allen	421 Sherman Ave., Cherokee, Iowa
	Jas. S. McGaw	1284 South Gilpin St., Denver, Colo.

Kansas

Moderator ---------- J. M. Coleman, D. D.
Clerk ---------- Rev. M. R. Jameson
Supplies ---------- Rev. D. R. Taggart

Beulah	J. H. Mearns, Cor.	Bostwick, Nebraska
Cache Creek	R. C. Adams, S. S.	Apache, Oklahoma
Clarinda	M. S. McMillan	Clarinda, Iowa, R. D. 3
Denison	W. O. Ferguson	Denison, Kansas
Eskridge	Paul D. White	Eskridge, Kansas
Hebron	J. R. W. Stevenson	Idana, Kansas
Kansas City	Paul Coleman	4202 Adams St. Kansas City, Kas.
Long Branch	O. F. Thompson	Blanchard, Iowa
Olathe	M. R. Jameson	Olathe, Kansas
Quinter	J. M. Coleman	Quinter, Kansas
Stafford	Chas. T. Carson, S. S.	Sterling, Kansas
Sterling	G. R. Steele	Sterling, Kansas
Superior	Fulton Chestnut, Cor.	Superior, Nebraska
Topeka	D. R. Taggart	922 Clay Street
Winchester	E. K. Patton	Winchester, Kansas
Irving Pl. Mssn.	Under care Topeka Session	
	W. W. Carithers	Verona, Pa., R. D. 2, Leechburg, Road
	C. E. Caskey	Nicosia, Syria
	J. W. Dill	Sterling, Kansas
	Isaiah Faris	1112 W. 8th St. Topeka
	J. R. Latimer	Olathe, Kansas
	G. R. McBurney	Sterling, Kansas
	A. J. McFarland	Latakia, Syria

New York

Moderator ---------- George S. Coleman, D. D.
Clerk ---------- Walter McCarroll, D. D.
Supplies ---------- F. M. Foster, Ph. D.

Barnesville, M. S.	Miss Agnes Curry, Cor.	Barnesville, N. B.
Barnet	A. W. Smith	Groton, Vermont

New York—Continued

Congregatiion	Min. or Cor.	Address
First Boston	W. J. McKnight	200 Willow Ave., W. Somerville, Mass.
Second Boston	J. M. Foster	59 Pinckney Street
Bovina	A. M. Thompson	Bovina Center, N. Y.
Cambridge	Geo. S. Coleman	31 Fayette St.
Coldenham	D. Bruce Elsey	Walden, New York
Cornwallis	Thomas McFall	Somerset, Nova Scotia
Montclair	T. M. Slater	6 Carteret St. Upper Montclair
Newburgh	Edward McNeely, Cor.	314 First Street
Second New York	Walter McCarroll	1438 Shakespeare Ave.
Third New York	F. M. Foster	104 E. 177th St.
Walton	F. H. Lathom	Walton, New York
White Lake	J. H. Pritchard	White Lake, New York
	J. A. Kempf	3884 Seton Ave., N. Y.

Ohio

Moderator ---------- Rev. W. S. Fulton
Clerk ---------- Rev. J. C. Mathews
Supplies ---------- Rev. W. J. Sanderson

Belle Center	W. J. Sanderson	Belle Center, Ohio
Bellefontaine	H. G. Foster	301 N. Madriver St.
Cedarville M. S.	Miss F. E. McNeill, Cor	Cedarville, Ohio
Cincinnati	E. M. Elsey	212 Calhoun St.
Hetherton	A. A. Logan, Cor.	Johannesburg, Mich. R. D.
Jonathans Creek	T. C. McKnight	New Concord, Ohio
New Concord	T. C. McKnight	New Concord, Ohio
Ray, M. S.	R. O. Logan, Cor.	Ray, Indiana
Southfield	J. C. Mathews	516 Pierce St. Birmingham, Mich.
United Miami	W. J. Sanderson	Belle Center, Ohio
Utica	Gregg Torrens, Cor.	Utica, Ohio
	W. S. Fulton	Belle Center, Ohio
	R. Hargrave	Huntsville, Ohio
	R. S. McElhinney	Bloomington, Ind. R.D.
	R. W. Piper	5424 Walnut St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
	D. B. Russell	Delhi, New York
	T. C. Sproull	619 N. Euclid St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Pacific Coast

Moderator ---------- Rev. W. A. Aikin
Clerk ---------- Rev. F. D. Frazer

Fresno	J. C. Mathews S. S.	John G. Dodds, R.D.A. Box 203, Sanger, Cal.
Hemet	W. A. Aikin	Hemet, Calif.
Los Angeles	W. R. Marvin, Cor.	613 E. 27th St.
Portland	F. D. Frazer	1206 Haight St.
Santa Ana	Samuel Edgar	818 S. Flower St.
Seattle	David Calderwood	1276 E. 69th St.

Pacific Coast—Continued

Congregatiion	Min. or Cor.	Address
	J. D. Edgar	Sterling, Kan.
	G. N. Greer	720 East 3rd St. Santa Ana, Calif.
	J. S. Thompson	Hemet, Calif.

Philadelphia

Moderator ——— F. M. Wilson, D. D.
Clerk and Supplies ——— S. E. Greer, D. D.

First Phila.	S. E. Greer	206 South 43rd St.
Second Phila.	F. L. Stewart	154 Woodland Ave., Lansdowne, Pa.
Third Phila.	F. M. Wilson	2410 N. Marshall St.
Orlando	A. P. Donahue, Cor.	Orlando, Florida

Pittsburgh

Moderator ——— E. L. McKnight, D. D.
Clerk ——— A. A. Wylie
Supplies ——— J. G. Reed

Allegheny	E. L. McKnight	3 Allemac Ave., Bellevue, Branch, Pittsb'gh
Bear Run-Mang	J. K. Gault	Rossiter, Pa., R. D. 1
Beaver Falls	C. E. Belles, Cor.	City Rt. 13, Beaver Falls, Pa.
Brookland	R. A. Blair, S. S.	Parnassus, Pa.
Cen. Pittsburgh	D. H. Elliott	1474 McFarland Rd, S Hills, Pittsburgh, Pa.
College Hill	R. W. Redpath	3216 Fifth Ave. Beaver Falls, Pa.
Connellsville	Andrew Lurch, Cor.	832 Morrell Ave.
East End	A. A. Wylie	6510 Jackson St. Pittsburgh, Pa.
Geneva	J. C. Slater	415 31st St., Beaver Falls, Pa.
Little Beaver	J. G. Reed	New Galilee, Pa.
Mercer	W. T. K. Thompson	240 South Erie St.
Millers Run	J. H. McBurney, Cor.	Cannonsburg, Pa.
New Alexandria	R. C. Fullerton	New Alexandria, Pa.
New Castle	E. A. Crooks	605 Oak Street
North Union	John Crowe, Cor.	Renfrew, Pa.
Parnassus	R. A. Blair	605 Fifth St.
Rehoboth	J. T. Mitchell	Mosgrove, Pa., R. D. 1
Rose Point	Paul D. McCracken	New Castle, Pa., R.D.6
Union	R. M. Dean, Cor.	Mars, Pa.
Wilkinsburg	J. B. Willson	810 South Ave.
Youngstown	Mrs. C. S. Storier	1058 Parkwood St.
	Robert Clarke	3207 College Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.
	John Coleman	2915 College Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.
	W. J. Coleman	Glenshaw, Pa., R. D.2
	S. G. Conner	McDonald, Pa., R. D. 4

Pittsburgh—Continued

Congregatiion	Min. or Cor.	Address
	S. J. Crowe	116 Garfield Ave., New Castle, Pa.
	J. F. Crozier	Rochester Mills, Pa.
	C. A. Dodds	126 Amabel St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
	Wm. M. Doig	Cecil, Wash. Co., Pa.
	A. A. Johnston	419 Pearl St.,Wooster,O
	J. M. Johnston	Mabry St., Selma, Ala.
	A. Kilpatrick	Valencia, Pa.
	J. S. Martin	3110 Fifth Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.
	R. H. Martin	3228 Sixth Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.
	W. C. McClurkin	310 Lafayette Ave., N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.
	T. A. McElwain	Rose Point, Pa.
	J. C. McFeeters	324 Dickson Ave., Ben Avon, Pa.
	R. J. McIsaac	Mabry St., Selma, Ala.
	R. J. G. McKnight	1311 Singer Place, Wilkinsburg, Pa.
	Robert Park	315 32nd St., Beaver Falls, Pa.
	M. M. Pearce	Geneva College Beaver Falls, Pa.
	J. L. Pinkerton	Waupauca, Wisconsin
	B. M. Sharp	209 Ninth St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
	J. S. Stewart	709 North Mercer St., New Castle, Pa.
	J. Boyd Tweed	Darlington Road, Beaver Falls, Pa.
	Boyd A. White	Beaver Falls, Pa.
	J. R. Wylie	3231 Fourth Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.
	R. C. Wylie	119 W. McIntyre Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Rochester

Moderator and Supplies ___Rev. W. M. McNeel
Clerk _____Rev. J. M. Rutherford

Almonte	J. M. Rutherford	Almonte, Ontario, Can.
Lisbon	Albert A. Robson, Cor	Lisbon, New York
Lochiel	R. H. McKelvey	Glensanfield, Ont., Can.
Syracuse	E. G. Russell	228 Amherst Street
York	W. M. McNeel	York, New York
	William McFarland	114 East Colvin St. Syracuse, N. Y.

Levant Mission

Latakia	Khalil Awad	Latakia, Syria
	Hanna Besna	Latakia, Syria
	Mikhail Lattoof	Alexandretta

STATISTICS OF CENTRAL CANADA PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1928

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1927	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1928	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
Number Cong. 4																															
Delburne	2	2	18	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	3	--	1	--	6	24	--	8	2	45	18	14	No	$--	$ 259	$--	$--	$ 65	$ 32	$ 356
Lake Reno	3	2	57	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	57	6	22	--	60	--	--	Yes	--	599	10	--	190	93	892
Regina	2	4	22	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	--	--	--	1	6	*29	1	19	3	35	--	--	No	--	488	--	--	120	239	847
Winnipeg	2	5	29	--	--	--	--	1	1	2	--	1	1	--	--	2	29	3	22	1	84	†26	11	No	--	900	--	--	156	919	1975
Totals	9	13	126	--	--	--	--	1	1	2	7	4	1	1	1	14	139	10	71	6	224	44	25	1	$--	$ 2246	$ 10	$--	$ 531	$ 1283	$ 4070

* Discrepancy due to correction of Roll. † 14 in Senior C. Y. P. U. and 12 in Juniors.

No. Congs. 3 **STATISTICS OF COLORADO PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR MARCH 31, 1928**

Denver	7	5	77	2	--	--	--	--	--	2	4	3	--	2	--	9	84	--	--	4	135	30	25	No	$--	$ 2600	$--	$--	$ 1710	$ 1368	$ 5678
Greeley	7	8	145	3	1	--	--	--	2	6	2	--	12	--	--	14	153	7	24	2	125	35	100	Yes	--	2000	40	28	1339	1379	4786
La Junta	3	4	33	--	--	--	4	--	1	5	--	--	--	2	--	2	‡36	8	1	--	67	14	12	No	--	1600	41	--	500	400	2541
Totals	17	17	255	5	1	--	4	--	3	13	6	3	12	4	--	25	273	15	25	6	327	79	137	1	$--	$ 6200	$ 81	$ 28	$ 3549	$ 3147	$13005

‡ Discrepancy of 6.

STATISTICS OF ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1928

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1927	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1928	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Totals
No. Cong. 6																															
Bethel (Sparta)	4	5	72		4				1	5	1		1			2	69	20	8		100	22	40	Yes	$	$ 1320	$ 50	$	$ 975	$ 680	$ 3025
Bloomington	6	3	109						3	3				1		1	107	6	45	3	158	23		No		1800	42	15	1530	¶27234	30621
Oakdale	7	5	150	4					2	6	2					2	146	10	35	4	140	28	50	Yes	(1)	1350	11	15	1017	720	3113
Old Bethel	5	6	77					1	1	2	2					2	77	11	9		†115	31	77	Yes	‡150	1250	35		850	686	2821
Princeton	3	4	47	4						4	1	1	3			5	48	13	11	2	45	17		Yes		709			200	629	1538
Selma	6	5	77			8			2	10		1	3		1	5	72			*1	141	22	12	No		148			255	512	915
Totals	31	28	532	8	4	8		1	9	30	6	2	7	1	1	17	519	60	108	10	699	143	179	4		$ 6577	$138	$ 30	$ 4827	$30461	$42033

* Adult baptism. † 40 are in Home Dept. ‡ Rental per year. (1) $12.50 per month. ¶ $25004 for new church

STATISTICS OF IOWA PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1928

No. Congs. 7																															
Chicago	6	4	45	3			1		1	5		1			1	2	44	8	18	1	135		24	No	$	$ 2200	$ 22	$ 18	$ 309	$ 1445	$ 3994
Hopkinton	5	3	70								4			2		6	76		17	3	66	20	23	Yes		1500			857	1306	3663
Morning Sun	4	5	134	1	3		8		4	16	1	1	4			6	124	12	16	4	70	20		Yes		1700	35	15	839	1031	3620
Rehoboth	2	3	25		1				1	2							23	4	1		25			Yes		590	6		70	264	930
Sharon	6	6	194	4					2	6	6	3	2			11	199	10	59	7	140	42	40	Yes		2000	91		1828	1408	5327
Vernon	2		18						2	2							16	1					8	No		80			95	46	221
Washington	2	2	10														10	2	2		10			No		258	5		125	66	454
Totals	27	23	496	8	4		9		10	31	11	5	6	2	1	25	492	37	113	15	446	82	95	4		$ 8328	$159	$ 33	$ 4123	$ 5566	$18209

STATISTICS OF KANSAS PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1928

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1927	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. by Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1928	Absent 10 months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonges	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellneous	Total
No. Congs. 15																															
Beulah	3	1	86	--	--	--	1	--	1	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	84	3	26	3	115	20	10	Yes	$---	$ ¶500	$---	$---	$ 245	$ 770	$ 1515
Cache Creek	5	2	96	--	1	37	2	--	3	43	--	2	--	--	--	2	55	10	46	8	---	---	---	---	---	---	15	---	350	239	604
Clarinda	5	4	133	--	1	5	--	--	2	8	--	3	--	1	--	4	129	19	32	2	136	56	---	Yes	---	2000	---	38	2875	1272	6185
Denison	4	5	103	2	--	--	3	--	1	6	4	--	1	1	--	6	103	7	43	2	118	12	---	---	---	1400	11	22	778	610	2821
Eskridge	5	4	63	--	--	--	--	--	2	2	5	--	1	--	--	6	67	8	10	3	30	20	15	Yes	---	‖ 900	---	---	311	585	1796
Hebron	5	4	106	1	--	--	1	--	4	6	1	--	1	--	--	2	102	14	32	2	128	30	50	No	---	1000	---	---	725	991	2716
Kansas City	4	3	70	--	1	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	4	--	--	4	73	15	16	3	79	14	---	No	---	2000	28	27	1145	1648	4848
Long Branch	6	4	81	--	1	--	--	--	--	1	6	--	3	--	--	9	89	9	22	4	95	30	50	Yes	---	1250	126	32	975	643	‡3026
Olathe	4	4	99	3	2	5	--	--	1	11	--	4	4	2	--	10	98	5	11	1	105	30	65	Yes	---	1500	52	85	1443	776	3856
Quinter	4	5	122	1	2	--	2	--	--	5	--	--	1	--	--	1	118	5	67	3	175	45	70	Yes	---	‖ 600	---	---	430	885	1915
Stafford	4	2	48	--	10	--	--	--	1	11	--	--	--	--	--	--	37	6	7	---	38	10	---	Yes	---	410	---	---	729	---	1139
Sterling	9	7	*211	2	5	--	--	1	3	†13	1	--	3	--	--	4	203	29	19	3	160	45	40	Yes	---	1800	35	5	1882	5430	‖9152
Superior	3	3	80	3	--	--	--	--	--	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	77	12	10	---	60	17	25	No	---	800	---	---	176	---	976
Topeka	6	6	102	5	5	9	1	--	3	18	4	3	5	3	--	15	99	---	14	---	118	15	80	Yes	---	1900	39	---	1083	1710	4732
Winchester	8	7	215	1	--	--	--	--	5	11	8	--	--	--	--	8	212	---	25	3	140	25	70	Yes	---	1800	88	---	2900	2189	‡ 6977
Irving Pl. Mission	---	---	---	--	--	--	--	--	--	---	---	--	--	--	--	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Totals	75	61	1615	18	28	56	10	1	26	139	29	12	23	7	--	71	1546	142	380	37	1497	369	475	10	$---	$17860	$394	$209	$16047	$17748	$52258

* Error in the 1927 report. † To the ministry 2 members. ‖ Half year. ‡ $15 paid to 1927 Budget.
¶ Supplies. ‖ $3,483 of total for parsonage. ‡ Designated funds, $35.

STATISTICS OF NEW YORK PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1928

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1927	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. by Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1928	Absent 10 months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonges	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellneous	Total
No. Congs. 13																															
Barnet	3	3	60		2				2	4	2	2				4	60	8	12	1	60	25	16	Yes		$ 1400	$	$	$ 245	$ 600	$ 2245
First Boston	3	6	69		4		5		3	12	1					1	58	1	16	1	50		20	No		2000			220	820	3040
Second Boston	2	2	32							10							22							No		1800	25	200	111	600	2736
Bovina	4	5	56														56	4	14	1	60	19	22	Yes	240	1200		12	600	858	2670
Cambridge	3	6	62		4					4							58	4	19	1	85	14	25	No		2000	4		435	961	3400
Coldenham	4	3	40		3		1		2	6				1		1	35	10	3		25	18	12	Yes	200	1000	9		50	92	1151
Cornwallis	2		35				3			3	2					2	34							No		600			209		
Montclair	2	3	37								1		3			4	41	8	9		35	19	6	No		1200			515	1275	2990
Newburgh	3	4	100		3				3	6	3					3	97				90	30		No		2000	10		1214	1100	4314
Second New York	6	7	155		1		7		1	9		6	2	2		10	156	13	19	1	182	25		No		4000	50	50	4800	6704	15604
Third New York	7	8	81		1		1		2	4	2			2		4	81	5	6		70	28		No		3500	10		780	2090	6380
Walton	5	5	99		1					1	7					7	105	18	10		97	28		No		700	19	13	1403	1523	3658
Whlte Lake	3	2	37						2	2							35	7	11		50	12	19	No		800			300	278	1378
Totals	47	54	863		19		17		15	61	18	8	5	5		36	838	78	119	5	804	218	120	3		$22200	$127	$275	$10882	$16701	$49586

STATISTICS OF OHIO PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1928

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1927	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1928	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Totals
No. Cong. 9 Mis. Stations 2																															
Belle Center	3	3	32						1	1							31	4			25	5	13	Yes	$150	$ 450	$	$ 23	375	$ 290	$ 1138
Bellefountaine	3	3	44	4					2	6		3	5			8	46	16	2		92	12	15	No		850			88	459	1397
Cedarville M. S.		1	15														15	4					10	No		45	17		90	25	177
Cincinnati	3	3	50		2					2							48	10	3		100	11		No		2200			327	1310	3837
Hetherton	4	4	37			1			2	3	1		1			2	37	6	7		35			No		470	50		179	170	869
Jonathan's Creek	2		31						2	2							29	1	7	1	35		15	No		800		19	575	311	1705
New Concord	5	5	61	1				2	1	4	1					1	58	5	6		30	18	38	No		1100	18		582	587	2287
Ray M. S.	1	1	9					2	1	3							6						2	No					120	129	249
Southfield	4	7	67	2		*5			1	8	2		1			3	62	9	17	1	100	19		No		2000	52		725	700	3477
United Miami	4	5	67	3	2				2	7			2	3		5	65	12	8	1	75	28	30	No		1200			278	289	1767
Utica	3	4	49						3	3							46	6	13	5	25			No		1100	11			300	1411
Totals	32	36	462	10	4	6		4	15	39	4	3	9	3		19	443	73	63	8	517	93	123	1	$150	$10215	$148	$ 42	$ 3339	$ 4570	$18314

* Purging Roll

No. Cong. 6 STATISTICS OF PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MAR. 31, 1928

Fresno	3	1	11														11	3			49	12			$	$ 300	$ 6	$	$ 50	$ 290	$ 646
Hemet	3	1	36						2	2							34	10	20		42	9	34			700	19	16	203	349	1287
Los Angeles	5	5	140	1	1				2	4	5	2	4	3	1	15	151	3		4	211	44	88			2820			1850	4145	8815
Portland	2	3	18						1	1	1					1	18	3	3		138	14	10			500	*135		175	545	1355
Santa Ana	5	4	109	1	1				2	4	4		1	1		6	111	1	15	1	115	29	60			2500	75	97	1500	1307	5479
Seattle	6	5	125	1	1				1	3	2	3		2	1	8	130	5	21	1	175	50	50			3000			1425	3303	7728
Totals	24	19	439	3	3				8	14	12	5	5	6	2	30	455	25	59	6	730	158	242		$	$ 9820	$235	$113	$ 5203	$ 9939	$25310

STATISTICS OF PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1928

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1927	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	DECREASE: To Other Churches	DECREASE: Suspended	DECREASE: Not Certified	DECREASE: No Trace	DECREASE: Deaths	DECREASE: Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	INCREASE: Prof. by Others	INCREASE: From Cov. Congs.	INCREASE: From Other Churches	INCREASE: Restored	INCREASE: Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1928	MEMBERSHIP: Absent 10 Months	MEMBERSHIP: Baptised, not Profs.	MEMBERSHIP: Infant Baptisms	MEMBERSHIP: Sabbath School Enrol't	MEMBERSHIP: Y. P. S. Membership	MEMBERSHIP: Tithers	MEMBERSHIP: Parsonage	MEMBERSHIP: If Rent is charged, how much?	MEMBERSHIP: Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	CONTRIBUTIONS: National Reform	CONTRIBUTIONS: Budget	CONTRIBUTIONS: Miscellaneous	CONTRIBUTIONS: Total
Number Congs., 22																															
Allegheny	7	9	80	1	1	--	--	--	1	3	--	--	7	--	--	7	84	1	16	----	101	28	67	No	$ --	$ 2400	$ --	$ 21	$ 1410	$ 3585	$ 7416
Bear Run-Mahoning	2	----	43	--	1	--	--	--	1	2	--	--	--	--	--	----	41	2	15	----	46	25	12	Yes	100	700	10	----	310	465	1485
Beaver Falls	6	9	117	--	2	--	--	--	--	2	1	--	--	--	--	1	116	6	45	3	139	25	46	Yes	----	1355	20	1	1360	1414	4150
Brookland	1	----	13	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	----	12	1	5	----	----	--	----	No	----	130	----	----	----	6	136
Central Allegheny	3	3	80	--	3	--	--	--	1	4	1	†16	1	3	2	23	99	----	----	2	256	20	50	No	----	2500	81	32	1148	1573	5334
College Hill	7	6	206	1	7	--	1	1	1	11	3	2	4	2	--	11	206	12	44	9	245	90	135	No	----	2350	----	1224	5543	‡6106	15223
Connellsville	4	6	*43	3	--	--	--	--	--	3	3	3	--	--	--	6	46	6	----	6	80	27	10	No	----	1590	--	----	----	271	1861
East End	5	4	66	2	2	--	4	2	1	11	1	1	2	1	--	5	60	3	8	----	127	18	18	No	----	2400	18	23	1055	2104	5600
Geneva	7	7	111	3	3	--	‡1	--	--	7	3	2	1	2	--	8	112	8	36	9	185	30	50	No	----	2100	136	15	2006	2788	7045
Little Beaver	3	7	50	--	1	--	--	3	--	4	2	--	--	--	--	2	48	7	19	3	57	---	8	Yes	----	1100	13	36	354	450	1953
Mercer	3	4	50	--	--	--	--	--	3	3	2	--	--	--	--	2	49	----	11	----	39	----	25	No	----	1300	22	----	550	223	2095
Millers Run	2	----	37	--	1	--	--	--	--	1	--	3	--	--	--	3	39	4	----	----	94	----	25	No	----	1050	----	45	1010	622	2727

* Report 50 last year. † Roll corrected. ‡ Ordained as Minister of Gospel. ‡ $4,201 special work.

STATISTICS OF PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1928 (Continued)

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1927	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1928	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enroll't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Totals
New Alexandria	4	1	*98	2	--	--	--	--	3	5	--	1	1	--	--	2	95	13	18	1	88	20	--	Yes	300	1500	25	40	1674	659	3898
New Castle	7	10	†152	--	2	--	--	--	1	3	--	--	--	1	--	1	150	3	30	--	200	30	50	Yes	500	1800	--	90	1639	1671	5200
North Union	3	3	¶19	--	1	--	2	--	1	4	--	--	--	--	--	--	15	3	3	--	--	--	--	No	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Parnassus	5	5	58	--	1	--	2	--	--	3	--	2	--	--	--	2	57	4	16	1	100	--	50	Yes	--	1800	--	--	1181	3279	6260
Pittsburgh	5	5	144	5	5	--	5	--	2	17	2	1	4	--	--	7	134	8	1	--	140	42	--	No	--	3500	110	748	4457	9609	18424
Rehoboth	3	4	34	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	1	--	--	--	--	1	34	--	--	1	18	--	14	Yes	100	750	--	8	152	365	1275
Rose Point	5	4	⁂47	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	3	--	--	--	--	3	49	6	15	3	86	20	15	Yes	--	921	--	--	350	884	2155
Union	2	1	‡35	1	1	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	33	5	5	1	34	--	10	No	--	392	--	4	100	617	1113
Wilkinsburg	6	6	129	1	2	6	--	4	13	4	--	2	1	1	8	124	5	30	1	163	60	49	Yes	900	1900	50	100	4514	5805	12369
Youngstown	2	--	27	--	3	--	--	--	--	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	24	3	--	--	--	--	--	No	--	561	--	--	54	452	1067
Totals	92	94	1639	19	36	6	15	6	22	104	26	31	22	10	3	92	1627	100	317	40	2198	435	634	9	1900	$32099	$485	2387	$28867	$42948	106786

* Report 96 last year. † Report 154 last year. ⁂ Report 42 last year. ‡ Report 32 last year. ¶ Estimate 22 last year.

STATISTICS OF PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1928

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1927	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	On Roll 1928	MEMBERSHIP: Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Titheers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
Number Cong. 4																															
First Philadelphia	6	4	145			5		4		11					1	1	135	8	17	2	81	26	45			$ 3000	$ ---	$ 112	$ 1977	$ 3500	$ 8589
Second Philad'lphia	3	7	148			4				14						7	141	4	27	+1	124	31	78			2800	---	51	1741	3128	7720
Third Philadelphia	5	5	155	1	1	---		4		11	1	5	1	2	6	11	155	2	30	+2	168	25	80			3000	50	250	5618	12054	20972
Orlando	4	5	64	---	---	---		3		1	---	---	---	---	---	---	65	6	6	2	96	25	25			1000	---	---	581	445	2026
Totals	18	20	512	6	7	112	11	11	37	3	6	2	9	1	21	496	20	80	7	469	107	228			$ 9800	$ 50	$413	$ 9917	$19127	$39307

† 1 adult baptism

STATISTICS OF ROCHESTER PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR MARCH 31, 1928

No. Congs. 5	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1927	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	On Roll 1928	MEMBERSHIP: Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Titheers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
Almonte	5	4	71	---	---	2	---	---	---	2	---	---	---	---	---	---	71	3	26	3	58	19	59	Yes	$---	$ 1200	$ 43	$ 2	$ 140	$ 533	$ 1918
Lisbon	2	2	20	---	---	---	---	---	---	2	---	---	---	---	---	---	18	---	---	---	---	---	3	No	---	350	---	---	100	---	450
Lochiel	---	---	23	3	---	---	---	---	---	3	---	---	---	---	---	---	19	1	13	---	---	---	---		---	350	44	---	100	176	670
Syracuse	4	3	59	---	---	---	---	3	3	4	1	2	---	---	---	7	63	2	18	---	108	25	40	No	---	2200	38	---	1394	2746	6378
York	5	4	50	---	---	---	---	---	6	6	1	2	---	---	---	9	50	5	---	---	---	---	25	Yes	200	1200	8	26	191	250	1675
Total	18	15	223	3	1	---	5	9	6	1	2	---	---	---	---	9	221	11	57	6	185	44	127		3	$200	$ 5300	$133	$ 28	$ 1925	$ 3705	$ 11091

STATISTICS OF MISSION FIELDS ABROAD

STATIONS	MISSIONARIES						NATIVES				CONGREGATIONS						MEMB'IP			SCHOOLS			HOSPIT'S				Total Church Contribution
	Ministers	Wives	Medical	Teachers	Nurses	Bible Women	Ordained	Licensed	Teachers	Bible Women	Number Organized	Number Settled Pastors	Elders	Deacons	Baptisms	Sabbath School Attendance	On Roll	Increase	Decrease	Boarding	Day	Enrollment	Bed	In Patients	Out Patients		
Latakia	1	2	1	3	1	1	2	--	24	2	1	2	2	2	30	480	241	9	10	2	16	543	16	70	1975	$	902
Mersina	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--		--
Larnaca	1	1	--	3	--	--	--	2	--	--	1	--	3	3	1	130	69	1	--	1	--	185	--	--	--		400
Nicosia	1	2	1	3	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	1	3	3	1	100	55	9	2	1	--	90	--	--	5200		250
Tak Hing	2	2	--	1	--	--	1	2	7	1	1	1	4	--	5	--	83	--	--	--	--	--	40	--	--		--
Lo Ting	--	--	1	1	--	--	1	6	5	1	1	1	3	--	--	--	62	--	--	--	--	--	40	--	--		--
Tiai Ping	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	4	--	--	--	50	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--		--
9 Mission Stations	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	212	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--		--
Totals	5	7	3	11	1	2	4	10	36	6	6	5	19	8	37	710	772	19	12	4	16	818	96	70	7175	$	1552

STATISTICS OF MISSIONS ABROAD

SUMMARY

PRESBYTERIES	Congregations	Mission Stations	Ministers	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1927	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	DECREASE: To Other Churches	DECREASE: Suspended	DECREASE: Not Certified	DECREASE: No Trace	DECREASE: Deaths	INCREASE: Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	INCREASE: Prof. by Others	INCREASE: From Cov. Congs.	INCREASE: From Other Churches	INCREASE: Restored	INCREASE: Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1928	MEMBERSHIP: Absent 10 Months	MEMBERSHIP: Baptised, not Prof's.	MEMBERSHIP: Baptisms	MEMBERSHIP: Y. P. S. Membership	MEMBERSHIP: Sabbath School Enrol't	CONTRIBUTIONS: Parsonage	CONTRIBUTIONS: Tithers	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	CONTRIBUTIONS: National Reform	CONTRIBUTIONS: Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Budget	CONTRIBUTIONS: Miscellaneous	CONTRIBUTIONS: Total
Central Canada	4	--	2	9	13	126	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	2	7	4	1	1	14	139	10	71	6	224	44	25	1	$ 10	$ --	$ 2246	$ 531	$ 1283	$ 4070
Colorado	3	--	6	17	17	255	--	--	--	--	--	3	13	6	3	2	1	--	25	273	15	25	6	327	79	137	1	81	28	6200	3549	3147	13005
Illinois	6	--	7	31	28	532	5	1	--	--	--	9	30	13	6	2	1	--	17	519	60	108	10	639	143	179	4	138	30	6577	4827	30461	42033
Iowa	7	1	7	27	23	496	8	--	--	4	--	1	13	2	4	1	--	1	7	492	37	113	6	446	82	95	4	159	33	8328	4123	5566	18209
Kansas	15	1	21	75	61	1615	18	28	56	10	1	10	31	11	12	5	6	1	25	1546	142	380	15	1497	369	475	10	394	209	17860	16047	17748	52258
New York	13	--	12	47	54	863	--	19	--	17	--	16	61	18	8	5	2	1	36	838	78	119	5	804	218	120	3	127	275	22200	10882	16701	49586
Ohio	9	2	11	32	36	462	10	4	6	--	4	15	39	4	3	2	--	--	19	443	63	59	8	517	93	123	1	148	42	10215	3339	4570	18314
Pacific Coast	6	--	7	24	19	439	3	7	1	12	--	8	14	5	6	2	1	--	30	455	25	6	3	730	158	242	--	235	113	9820	5203	9939	25310
Philadelphia	4	--	3	18	20	512	6	7	3	1	--	11	37	3	6	2	1	--	21	496	20	80	7	469	107	228	--	50	413	9600	9917	19127	39307
Pittsburgh	22	--	41	92	94	1639	19	36	6	15	6	22	104	26	31	22	10	3	92	1627	100	317	40	2198	435	634	9	485	2387	32099	28867	42948	106786
Rochester	5	--	5	18	15	223	3	--	1	--	--	5	9	6	1	2	2	--	9	221	11	57	--	185	44	127	3	133	28	5300	1925	3705	11091
Foreign Missions	6	9	7	19	19	8	--	--	--	--	--	12	12	--	--	--	--	--	19	772	--	--	37	710	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1552
Totals	100	12	129	409	388	8051	80	106	78	67	13	126	491	128	80	94	48	9	378	7821	571	1392	183	8806	1772	2385	36	$ 1960	$ 3558	130645	$ 88210	155195	381521

DIRECTORY AND STATISTICS OF THE WOMEN'S SYNODICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1928.

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White Cottage—Miss Bessie George, White Cottage, Ohio.

Pacific Coast Presbyterial—

Hemet—Mrs. A. W. Aikin, Hemet, California.
Los Angeles—Miss Julia Lynn, 613 East 27th Street.
Santa Ana—Mrs. Samuel Edgar, 818 South Flower Street.
Seattle—Mrs. J. B. Shortt, 320 Sumist, N. Seattle, Wash.

Philadelphia Presbyterial—

First Philadelphia—Mrs. S. E. Greer, 206 South 43rd St.
Second Philadelphia—Miss Jane Peoples, 871 North 20th Street.
Third Philadelphia—Miss Margaret McCandless, 4920 North 13th Street.
Orlando—Mrs. A. Y. Alexander, 1403 Oregon Avenue.
First Philadelphia Jrs.—Mrs. S. E. Greer, 206 S. 43rd St.
Orlando Jrs.—Miss Sila E. Donahue, Orlando, Fla.

Pittsburgh Presbyterial—

Allegheny—Mrs. J. M. Allen, 2225 St. Lukes Square, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Bear Run—Mrs. R. McFarland, Rossiter, Pa.
Beaver Falls—Mrs. Stuart Coler, 1408 Fourth St., Beaver Falls.
Central Allegheny—Mrs. M. L. Watson, 5424 Walnut St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Faith Mission and Aid—Miss Emma Listman, 125 Grant Ave., Bellevue, Pa.
College Hill—Mrs. J. B. Dodds, 3227 5th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.
Connellsville—Mrs. S. E. Fornwalt, Star Route 117.
East End—Mrs. R. A. Steele, 129 East End Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Geneva—Mrs. J. C. Slater, 415 31st St., Beaver Falls, Pa.
Little Beaver—Mrs. Ethel Young, New Galilee, Pa.
Mahoning—Mrs. Ella Laughrey, Marion Center, Pa., R. D.
Millers Run—Mrs. J. H. McBurney, Cannonsburg, Pa.
New Alexandria—Mrs. E. S. Sproull, New Alexandria, Pa.
New Castle—Mrs. A. C. Gardener, 208 Pine Street.
Parnassus—Edith A. Miller, New Kensington, Pa.
Pittsburgh—Mrs. Ella Ward, 130 E. Ridge Ave., Crafton, Pa.

Rose Point—Mrs. P. D. McCracken, Rose Point, Pa.
Union—Mrs. R. M. Dean, Mars, Pa. R. D.
Wilkinsburg—Mrs. D. M. McFarland, 1423 Center Street.
Youngstown—Mrs. C. S. Storier, 1058 Parkwood Avenue.

Young Women's Missionary Societies

Beaver Falls—Miss Sarah Cunningham, 521 18th Ave., Riverview.
College Hill—Miss Lillie Redpath, 3216 Fifth Ave., Beaver Falls.
New Castle—Miss Marietta J. Daugherty, 618 Forest St.
Pittsburgh—Miss Inez Wickerham, 210 E. Stockton Ave.
Wilkinsburg—Miss Helen J. Heazlett, 519 Campbell Street.

STATISTICS OF THE SOCIETIES

Colorado Presbytery

SOCIETIES	Membership	Honorary and Associate	Olive Trees Taken	Local Expense	Thankoffering	Total Contributions	Standing
Denver	31		15	$ 40	$ 70	$ 234	68
Greeley	48	11	18	49	62	242	88
La Junta	15	8		5	33	80	
Denver Y	10			12	15	42	
	104	19	33	$106	$ 180	$ 598	

Illinois Presbyterial

Bloomington	40	3	14	1323	$ 55	$1537	89
Oakdale	28		12	20	20	106	70
Old Bethel	13	15	11	88	14	180	67
Princeton	10		6	3	25	55	72
Selma	21	2	4	8	53	67	80
Sparta	16	14		76	23	143	86
Oakdale Y	29				8	144	60
	157	34	47	1518	198	$2232	

Iowa Presbyterial

Chicago	24	13	6	$ 13	$ 100	$ 291	86
Hopkinton	34	2	10	44	40	240	91
Morning Sun	35	7	15	26	101	207	80
Rehoboth	4		6		25	67	28
Sharon	22	3	15	27	126	280	70
	119	25	52	$110	$ 392	$1085	

Kansas Presbyterial

Beulah	14		6	$ 25	$ 2	$ 58	88
Blanchard	25		12	13	36	111	88
Clarinda	31		27	52	110	311	84
Denison	25	4	11	21	25	154	74
Eskridge	16	8	9	33	19	147	78

Kansas Presbytery—Continued.

SOCIETIES	Membership	Honorary and Associate	Olive Trees Taken	Local Expense	Thankoffering	Total Contributions	Standing
Hebron	25	7	13	45	37	255	87
Kansas City	25	8	8	46	80	148	96
Olathe	36	3		14	102	344	78
Quinter	30	14	15	16	100	158	86
Stafford	9	3	2	4	35	85	81
Sterling	49		39	62	100	331	88
Superior	15	4	2	27	21	73	43
Topeka	23	7	13	36	79	252	85
Winchester	44	6	27	45	79	375	
	367	64	184	$439	$ 825	$2802	

New York Presbyterial

Barnet	15	8	8	$ 19	$ 25	$ 154	72
Bovina	23	13	8	11	100	262	79
Cambridge	17		7	27	119	240	64
Coldenham	22	11	7	11	78	152	85
Montclair	13	3	7	22	151	248	
Newburgh	27	5	21				
Second New York	44	14	30	30	315	939	84
Third New York	13				225	285	
Syracuse	26	8	15	17	268	338	91
	200	62	103	$137	$1281	$2618	

Ohio Presbyterial.

Belle Center	14	2	3	$ 17	$ 26	$ 46	56
Bellefontaine	16	3		44	21	77	
Cincinnati	16	1	16	13		358	70
Hetherton	12	1	2		7	31	
New Concord	25	1	13	52	60	151	68
Northwood	20	9	9	24	55	123	83
Southfield	28	18	14	26	133	375	90
Utica	18	4	6	4	50	152	
White Cottage	17			4	63	195	10
	166	39	63	$184	$ 415	$1508	

Pacific Coast Presbyterial.

SOCIETIES	Membership	Honorary and Associate	Olive Trees Taken	Local Expense	Thankoffering	Total Contributions	Standing
Hemet	9	1	7	$ 9	$	$ 12	
Los Angeles	63	34		20	100	641	94
Santa Ana	38	13	18	11	51	195	95
Seattle	24	6	10			5	
	134	54	35	40	151	853	

Philadelphia Presbyterial

First Philadelphia	34	2	9	$ 76	$ 300	$ 472	
Second Philadelphia	28		25	44	318	617	87
Third Philadelphia	65	21	40	71	1755	2918	89
Orlando	26	8	7	21	51	100	96
	153	31	81	212	2424	4107	

Pittsburgh Presbyterial

Allegheny	23	10		$ 23	$ 129	$ 364	95
Bear Run	18	20	2	82		112	75
Beaver Falls	32	11	8	12	137	209	63
Central Allegheny	35	5	18		225	542	93
Faith Mission & Aid	25		4	30	35	73	
College Hill	30	2	24	28	266	783	92
Connellsville	20	3	5	2	40	109	84
East End	17	1	13	43	113	429	86
Geneva	17	1	16	18	80	243	76
Little Beaver	19	8	6		45	269	95
Mahoning	10	2	3		35	51	50
Millers Run	10	5	9	10	92	253	81
New Alexandria	28	6	10	108	86	252	75
New Castle	46	7	16	15	152	338	85
Parnassus	26	1	12	15	162	355	82
Pittsburgh	46	5	33	104	418	979	87
Rose Point	33	11	6	61	31	164	76
Union	12		12		50	101	83
Wilkinsburg	35	24	32	11	270	633	97
Youngstown	10		2	73	24	113	71
Beaver Falls Y	16			1	16	44	
College Hill Y	32	11	24	69	134	544	90
New Castle Y	18	4		16	6	39	70
Pittsburgh Y	10	1				26	
Wilkinsburg Y	40	2		26	239	428	54
	608	140	255	$747	$2785	$7453	

Pittsburgh Juniors.

SOCIETIES	Membership	Honorary and Associate	Olive Trees Taken	Local Expense	Thankoffering	Total Contributions	Standing
Central Allegheny	6				$ 13	$ 78	
College Hill	20				10	11	
Connellsville	12				2	16	
East End	20				10	28	
New Alexandria					22	80	
Little Beaver	14				16	37	
Pittsburgh	25					1	
Pittsburgh Intrmd.	20					85	--
Wilkinsburg	21					12	
	138				$ 73	$ 348	

SUMMARY STATISTICS---WOMEN'S SYNODICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

For Year Ending March 31, 1928

PRESBYTERIALS AND SOCIETIES	Number of Societies	Membership	Honorary Members	Associate Members	Average Attendance	Work and Social Meetings	Copies Olive Trees	Uniform Programs	Mission Study	Missionary Review	Indian Missson	Southern Mission	Jewish Mission	China Mission	Levant Mission	Aged People's Home	Presbyterial Contingent	Synodical Contingent	Church Budget	Other Contributions	Local Expenses	Thankoffering	Totals
Colorado	4	104	11	8	51	14	43	4	3	1	$	$	$	$	$ 15	$ 10	$ 5	$ 10	$ 147	$ 123	$ 96	$ 180	$ 586
Illinois	7	157	34		85	46	47	7		3		58			25	14	14	15	214	259	1578	198	2375
Iowa	5	119	19	6	54	17	52	4	4	1		134			17	9	8	8	169	238	110	392	1085
Kansas	14	367	41	23	175	114	184	14	14	7	6	10	3	5	685	12	71	34	465	739	439	825	2802
New York	9	200	51	11	113	38	103	9	8	3	25	15	30		85	196	49	19	191	428	137	1281	2618
Ohio	9	166	31	8	77	57	63	7	7	4	20	103	28	19	98	46	16	18	205	294	184	415	1508
Pacific Coast	4	134	50	4	58	22	35	4	3	2	25	35	25	70	100	37	9	8	25	322	40	151	853
Philadelphia	4	153	25	6	69	10	81	4	4	3	150	320	332	137	1628	109	10	18	25	1026	212	2424	4107
Pittsburgh	25	608	84	56	306	180	255	21	21	5	1093	162	102	225	504	243	65	48	463	1289	747	2785	7453
Totals	81	2008	346	122	988	498	863	74	64	29	$ 1319	$837	$520	$456	$ 3157	$676	$247	$178	$ 1904	$ 4718	$ 3543	$ 8651	$23387